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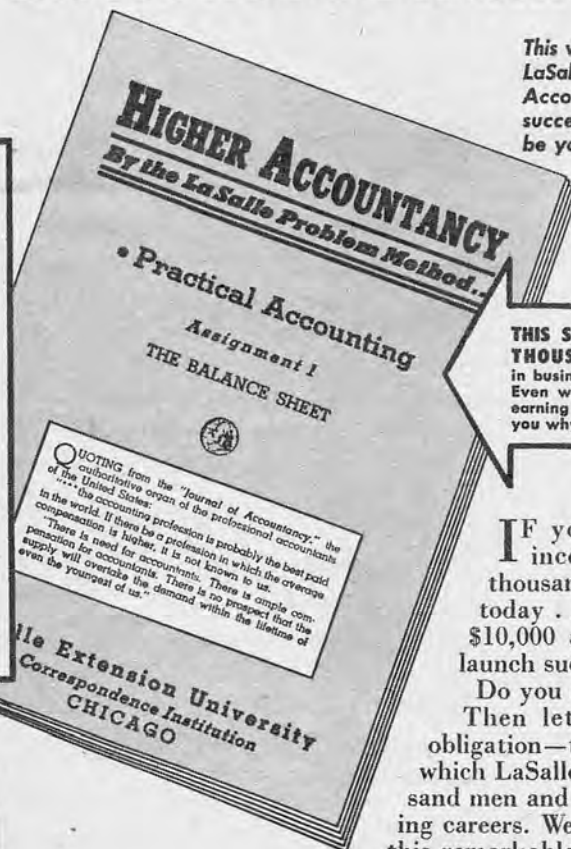
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**UPHEAVAL . . .** Karl Herkommer (43), Purdue, goes for five yards in 6-0 upset, snapping Michigan State string of 28 wins. Dick Sabinski (67), Krupa (79) and Kerr (86) clear path.

**BREAK IT UP . . .** Cliff Waldbeser (87) and J. C. Caroline (26), Illini, foil forward attempt to Syracuse end Neil Brenneman (86) in 20 to 13 game won by Illinois, in 1953.



**STRING SAVER . . .** Dan Shannon snares pass from ND's Ralph Guglielmi for score as Iowa's Bob Phillips arrives too late to break up crucial pitch in final minutes that kept Irish unbeaten via 14-14 tie.







## By Tommy Devine

Detroit Free Press grid expert Tommy Devine has an intimate knowledge of the football potential in Big 10 and Mid-West.

# Mid-West

## ILLINI AND BRENNAN'S IRISH BAND DUE TO LEAD U. S. GRID PARADE

### PREDICTIONS

#### Big Ten

1. Illinois
2. Iowa
3. Wisconsin
4. Michigan State
5. Ohio State
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7. Indiana
8. Minnesota
9. Purdue
10. Northwestern

#### Ohio Conference

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3. Heidelberg
4. Akron
5. Mount Union
6. Muskingum
7. Wittenberg
8. Wooster
9. Capital
10. Marietta
11. Kenyon
12. Hiram
13. Oberlin

#### Independents

1. Notre Dame
2. Marquette
3. Pittsburgh
4. Cincinnati
5. John Carroll
6. Dayton
7. Baldwin Wallace
8. Central Michigan
9. Xavier
10. Butler
11. Depauw

#### Mid-America

1. Miami
2. Ohio U.
3. Western Reserve
4. Kent State
5. Toledo
6. Marshall
7. Bowling Green
8. Western Michigan

**T**HE 1953 collegiate football season was chronicled as "The Year of the Great Adjustment" as teams made the switch from free-wheeling unlimited substitution into the tighter, more conservative pattern of Single Platoon play.

Now in the Mid-West, the 1954 campaign has been tagged as the season of the "Great Coaching Upheaval." Four major schools—Notre Dame, Michigan State, Minnesota and Marquette—will open play with new head coaches.

Twenty-six-year-old Terrence Patrick (Terry) Brennan replaces Frank Leahy at Notre Dame; curly-haired Hugh Duffy Daugherty moves into the spot vacated by Clarence (Biggie) Munn at Michigan State; whip-cracking Murray Warmath takes over for Wesley Fesler at Minnesota and Frosty Ferzacca switches from a high school job into the top berth at Marquette in the place of Lisle Blackburn.

Strangely, not one of the departing coaches experienced a losing season or bowed out under

alumni or public pressure. Leahy and Fesler resigned to enter private business; Munn was promoted to his school's athletic directorship and Blackburn swapped a college job for a place in the professional league.

The Mid-West produced four teams which ranked in the Top Ten nationally last season. Notre Dame's unbeaten Irish were rated second behind Maryland's national title-holder. Michigan State's Rose Bowl champions placed third, with Illinois seventh and Iowa ninth.

Two teams, Illinois and Notre Dame, stand out as pre-eminent bidders for the mythical national championship this Fall.

Illinois, which surprised a year ago on the basis of great offensive support from sophomore satellites J. C. Caroline and Mickey Bates, is the early season favorite for the Big Ten crown. The Illini shared the title last season with Michigan State.

Iowa, which hasn't won or shared a Western Conference football crown since 1922, is in the midst of a gridiron renaissance under Forrest Evashevski and figures to give Illinois its sternest battle.

The Independents again will be dominated by powerful Notre Dame, with Marquette, Pittsburgh and Cincinnati all possessing bright prospects to claim a share of the national spotlight.

A year ago the Mid-West had seven players who were prominent All-America selections in John Lattner and Art Hunter of Notre Dame; Paul Giel of Minnesota; Don Dohoney of Michigan State; J. C. Caroline of Illinois; Jerry Hilgenberg of Iowa and Alan Ameche of Wisconsin.

Ameche and Caroline are the lone returnees from that list and they head a brilliant crop of honor team bidders which includes Leroy Bolden, Michigan State; Ralph Guglielmi, Notre Dame; Don Tate, Illinois; Milt Campbell, Indiana; Calvin Jones, Iowa; Tom Bettis, Purdue and Eldred Kraemer, Pittsburgh.

### BIG TEN CONFERENCE

**ILLINOIS**—The real surprise package of the hectic Big Ten race in 1953 was Illinois. After being an "also ran" in the Conference the previous year, the Illini won seven games, lost one and tied one to share the championship with Michigan State.

The principal reason for the amazing comeback

was that Coach Ray Eliot came up with two of the season's greatest sophomores in halfbacks J. C. Caroline and Mickey Bates.

The 178-pound Caroline and the 190-pound Bates gave the Illini a one-two punch that wasn't matched by any conference rival.

Caroline compiled fantastic records. He was the nation's leading ground gainer with 1,256 yards on 194 carries for a superb 6.5 yards per try average. He caught seven passes good for 52 yards and scored five touchdowns. He handled a portion of the punting and averaged 38.2 yards.

**MICKEY BATES**, 6-foot Illinois back, led team in scoring with 11 tallies.



**EM LINDBECK**, vet. signal-caller, will direct Illini bid for the Big Ten title.



**J. C. CAROLINE**, the nation's leading ground-gainer in '53, is big reason for Illinois Big Ten favorite role.



Bates led the team in scoring with 11 touchdowns. He gained 602 yards on 138 carries for a 4.4 yards average.

Illinois' title hopes naturally center again on Caroline and Bates. They'll both be marked performers, but since Eliot has come up with some other talented backs this top pair figures to get more relief and help than was possible last season.

Indicative of this is the switch of Bates from halfback to fullback where his terrific power can be utilized for short yardage on smashes. To take over Bates' old right half job, Eliot will have Abe Woodson, a six-foot-one, 182-pound sophomore, who is rated better at this stage than Caroline was a year ago.

Woodson has the required size and indicative of his speed is the fact he won the Big Ten indoor 70-yard hurdle title in eight seconds flat. In addition, he's an outstanding defensive player.

Caroline will be back at the left half spot, of course.

Eliot will have two lettermen battling for the starting quarterback job in Em Lindbeck, the starter at the outset of the 1953 campaign, and Bob Gongola, a monogram winner in 1952 who is back after a year's inactivity. Pushing these hold-overs is a brilliant newcomer, six-foot-four, 210-pound Hiles Stout. Other quarterback candidates are sophomore Rolla McMullen and Dick Stearney.

To provide help at left half will be sophomore Harry Jefferson and letterman Ken Swienton. Be-

**LOUIS MATYKIEWICZ** (rt) is one of trio of capable quarterbacks again on hand to direct Hawkeye bid for Big Ten upset.



**GEORGE BROEDER**, Iowa captain, heads awesome array of Hawkeye backs.

**CALVIN JONES**, 210-pound guard, won All-Conference acclaim.





hind Woodson at right half are letterman Clarence DeMoss, Bob Graeff, up from the reserves, and sophomore Ron Leoni. The fullback replacements for Bates will be lettermen Baird Stewart and Don Grothe.

The Illini lost their starting ends by graduation, but there's an abundance of talent. Lettermen Steve Nosek and Bob Wiman are the top candidates, with Herb Badal, Bob DesEnfants and Dean Renn, up from the reserves, and sophomores Bob Baietto, Charley Butler, Gary Francis and Jim Renwick pushing them.

Roger Wolf is the only returning letterman at tackle. He'll get the starting nod along with 210-pound Floyd McAfee, up from the reserves. Back of them will be Rudy Siegert, a reserve last year, and sophomores John Gremer, Fred Wilmoth and Percy Oliver.

Captain Jan Smid and rugged Don Tate, who is playing his fourth year, will be starting guards. Walt Vernasco, another letterman; George Walsh, up from the reserves; and sophomores Ralph Nelson and Vito Iovino will back them up. The veteran Jack Chamblin will get the starting nod at center, with sophomores Mike Guinan and Larry Pasko in support.

**IOWA**—The strongest team in the Big Ten through the stretch run last Fall, gridiron experts generally conceded, was Iowa. In a whirlwind close, the Hawkeyes beat Wisconsin 10 to 6, trampled Purdue 26 to 0, thumped Minnesota 27 to 0 and played the memorable 14 to 14 "Fainting Episode" battle with Notre Dame.

Balance and depth long have been major Hawkeye football problems, but indicative of the resurgence under Coach Evashevski is the fact 107 gridders took part in Spring drills.

Iowa has a squad that includes 17 lettermen and three monogram winners of 1952, who are back after missing last season because of injuries.

To direct the Hawkeyes, Evashevski will have three lettermen in Jerry Reichow and Louis Matykievicz, who played almost equal time a year ago, and Terry Moran, who was used on a spot basis. The trio completed 41 out of 92 passes for 490 yards.

The first string halfback spots likely will go to Eddie Vincent, a flashy 180-pound junior, and Earl Smith. Vincent accounted for 374 yards in 59 carries last season, while Smith picked up 118 yards in 24 attempts. Eldean Matheson and Bob Stearnes, a pair of lettermen, and Don Inman and Jim Milani, 1952 lettermen, furnish the reserve support.

Promising sophomore halfbacks are Tony Hatch, Tom Gentry, Wally Sheets, Joe Passalino and Jim Wilson.

If Evashevski had to put a finger on a backfield spot where he has the greatest strength it would be at fullback. Captain George (Binkey) Broeder gets the starting nod over Roger Wiegmann, another holdover from last season, and Jim Hatch, who lettered in 1952. Stan Davis and Eldon Kan-

ellis, up from the reserves, and sophomores Ralph Knoebel and Cleo Murphy provide fine depth.

Broeder was the top ground-gainer last season with 410 yards in 96 carries. Wiegmann picked up 233 yards on 45 carries.

The Hawkeye line will be led by Calvin Jones, the husky six-foot, 210-pound guard who as a sophomore last season won All-Conference honors. The other guard berth will go to letterman George Kress. Back of this pair come five candidates up from the reserves in George Asleson, Harlan Jenk-

**GARY MESSNER**, 190-pound junior, again holds spot as Wisconsin center.



**RON LOCKLIN**, 6'-1" right end for Wisconsin, rates with best in league.



**ALAN AMECHE**, sensational Badger fullback, blasted out 524 yards in 103 shots at rival Big Ten lines in '53.





**RANDY SCHRECENGOST**, Spartan tackle, assumes key blocking role.



**HANK BULLOUGH**, senior MSC guard, is expert play wizard on defense.

**LeROY BOLDEN**, speedy tailback, is lone returning '53 Spartan starting back.

inson, George Johnstone, Terry Shuck and Jim Martinkus.

Frank Gilliam, a rangy end who was the team's leading pass receiver with 12 catches, and letterman Jim Freeman figure to be the first string ends. Walter Benson, Frank Schwengel and Paul Schipper, up from the reserves, and sophomores Ken Meek, Jim Willett, Jim Dick and Burt Bordine will be back of them.

Three lettermen, Rodger Swedberg, John Hall and Cameron Cummins, head the tackle corps. They'll have help from Ken Jehle, up from the reserves, and sophomores Phil Cummins, Dick Deasy, Bob Elibasich, Jim Johnson and Carroll Johnson.

Warren Lawson, the lone returning letterman, has grabbed the starting center job, with Norman Six and Joel Page, up from the reserves, and sophomores Don Suchy and Don Wyllie in support.

**WISCONSIN**—The most consistent team in the Big Ten for the past five seasons has been Wisconsin. Over that stretch the Badgers have won 21 league games, lost seven and tied four. They tied for one title, finished second once, third twice and fourth on the other occasion.

A year ago Coach Ivy Williamson's team remained in championship contention to the bitter end and missed a three-way tie for the title on the final day when held to a 21 to 21 tie by Minnesota.

In the past Williamson has employed his own

version of the Split T. He'll retain that offense this Fall, while also incorporating the Single Wing and the Winged "T" into the offensive pattern.

Much of Wisconsin's recent success is due to the brilliant offensive work of Alan (The Horse) Ameche, the 210-pound fullback who does everything in superlative fashion. Ameche finished fourth among the Big Ten backs last season with 103 carries in six league games that netted 524 yards.

In the backfield with Ameche will be Jim Miller, the regular of last season, at quarter; Bob Gingrass, the regular right half last season who has been switched to left half; and letterman Clarence Bratt at right half.

Another backfield unit will have Jim Haluska at quarter. Haluska was the 1952 starter but suffered a broken leg playing Summer baseball and missed the entire 1953 campaign. The talented 180-pounder worked lightly in Spring drills and must be regarded as a question mark until physically tested under game conditions.

Working with him will be sophomores Bill Lowe and Pat Levenhagen and Charley Thomas, up from reserve ranks.

Other backs who figure in Williamson's plans are letterman Glen Wilson at quarter; Jack Stellick, up from the reserves, and sophomore Dave Strehlow at the halves and sophomore fullback Glenn Bestor.

Graduation cut sharply into the Badgers' supply of ends and tackles.

Ron Locklin, one of the conference's outstanding ends last season, will be back at right end. Jim Temp, who played behind him, has been shifted to the other side of the line. Letterman Don Voss and Dick Kolian, up from the reserves, and sophomores Dave Howard and Jim Reinke also are available.

The only letterman back for tackle duty is Martin Booher, a 235-pounder. He'll operate on the left side of the line with Wells Gray, up from the reserves, getting the starting nod at right tackle. Back of them will be sophomore Jim Groszklaus and John Dittrich, advancing from the reserves. Also in contention are Jerome Cvengros, who was on the 1951 freshman team, and Andy Pocse, a 1952 freshman standout, who has returned to school.

The first string guards of last year, Clarence Stensby and Don Ursin, will get the starting calls again. Bolstering the spot will be letterman Norm Amundsen and sophomore Steve Ambrose. To give depth to the spot, Williamson switched Paul Shwaiko, a 190-pounder who was an outstanding defensive end on the 1952 team but ineligible last Fall, and Bob Konovsky, a 215-pound converted end, to the guard position.

The one-two performers at center last year, Gary Messner and Bill McNamara, have returned and they will get help from sophomore Tom Rabas.

**MICHIGAN STATE**—An era of unprecedented gridiron glory ended for Michigan State when Clarence (Biggie) Munn stepped down as head



football coach after the Spartans' smashing 28 to 20 victory over UCLA in the Rose Bowl.

During Munn's eight-year tenure, Michigan State climbed from a second rate power into one of the nation's perennially powerful outfits. Under his direction they won 53 games, lost nine and tied two.

Munn has moved up to the athletic directorship and turned the coaching reins over to 38-year-old Hugh Duffy Daugherty, his talented line coach. Not only did Munn bow out, but three of his top assistants also are gone. Steve Sebo, the clever backfield coach became head man at Pennsylvania and took DuWayne King along as an assistant. End coach Earle Edwards moved to North Carolina State as head coach.

Thus this year the Spartans not only must rebuild a coaching staff, but also a squad from which graduation took 15 players, including seven regulars.

Depth always was one of Munn's secrets of success, however, and the reservoir of reserve material he built up figures to keep the Spartans in contention.

Daugherty's major problem is to reconstruct his first team backfield. From the unit which carried the brunt of the burden a year ago, quarterback Tom Yewcic, right half Billy Wells and fullback Evan Slonac are gone.

The lone returning starter is Co-captain Leroy Bolden, the fleet 165-pounder who has few peers as a tailback in the Single Wing system the Spartans use as part of their "Multiple Offense." Bolden not only has speed, but amazing drive for a performer of his size. He topped the Spartans ground gainers last year with 691 yards in 127 carries.

The key quarterbacking role when the Spartans are working from the Single Wing or the Straight "T" likely will go to Earl Morrall, a 180-pound junior who played exceptionally well last Fall behind Yewcic. Morrall is an excellent field general and passer. He completed 17 out of 31 tosses for 279 yards. When Michigan State moves into a "Split T", the direction will fall to Johnny Matsock. Matsock is a daring, imaginative play caller and a fine runner.

Behind this pair come Clarence Peaks, a 190-pound sophomore, and Pat Wilson, another newcomer.

Back of Bolden at left half will be a pair of veterans, Gary Lowe and Jerry Musetti.

The starting right half spot will go to Bert Zagers, a hard-running 180-pound senior. Back of him come Ray Eggleston and Travis Buggs, a pair of speedsters, and Lou Costanzo, a fine looking sophomore.

Gerry Planutis, who saw considerable two way service last year, has grabbed the starting fullback assignment, with holdover Vic Postula and sophomore Don Gilbert behind him.

The strongest spot on the Spartans' line likely will be at end, where five lettermen are returning in Co-captain Don Kauth, who appears completely recovered from a leg broken in Spring practice;

Bill Quinlan, Carl Diener, John Lewis and Ellis Duckett, the youngster who was one of the stand-outs of the Rose Bowl victory.

Lettermen likewise make the tackle situation promising. The starting berths likely will go to Randy Schrecengost and Roland Dotsch, a pair of holdovers, with lettermen Buck Nystrom, Morley Murphy, Embry Robinson and Steve Foreman, up from the reserves, in support.

The veterans Ferris Hallmark, Hank Bullough, Norm Masters, Dale Hollern, Bill Ross and Leo Haidys give Daugherty both depth and experience at guard.

Two lettermen, Fred Rody and Joe Badaczewski, are the top center candidates, with sophomore John Matsko and Ed Zalar, up from the reserves, behind them.

**OHIO STATE**—Disappointing is the tag which must be attached to Ohio State's 1953 campaign, although the Buckeyes had an overall record of six victories as against three defeats. The losses were all in Conference play as Coach Woody Hayes' team finished fourth.

The Buckeyes' downfall stemmed principally from the failure to come up with a balanced offense and an adequate defense. Within league ranks Ohio State was seventh defensively.

A year ago the Buckeyes did not have the backfield depth necessary for a winner. The ball carrying department appears certain to be improved this Fall, but there's quite a question mark about the line.

**JOHN BORTON (right),**  
Ohio State co-captain,  
will direct Buckeye attack.



**JOHN REICHENBACH,**  
Buckeye guard, heads vet.  
array in middle of line.



**DICK HILINSKI** is one of  
experienced tackle quin-  
tet available to Buckeyes.





**TONY BRANOFF**, triple threat ace, again operates at right half for Michigan.

**LOUIS BALDACCI** will again direct Wolverine efforts to pep up attack.



**FRED BAER** (left), hefty senior, packs speed as Michigan fullback.

Ohio will have 28 lettermen returning plus at least a dozen top-flight prospects off a freshman squad that rated extremely high.

Three lettermen are back at the vital quarterback spot. The highly regarded John Borton, a standout sophomore but far under par last season due to a troublesome ankle injury, appears to have won the starting job. Dave Leggett, who played double the time of Borton last season, and letterman Bill Booth also are on hand. The brightest of the sophomore prospects is Andy Okulovich.

The starting halfbacks of a year ago, Howard Cassady and Bobby Watkins are back. Cassady is a fine breakaway runner and the stocky Watkins has the power to hit inside and the speed required for sweeps.

In support of Cassady at left half will be lettermen Jerry Harkrader, Carroll Howell and Tom Spears. The best newcomer is Jim Roseboro. Back of Watkins are Hubert Bobo, the top prospect among the sophomore backs, and letterman Dick Young.

Although two lettermen, Bob Bond and Jack Augenstein, are in the running for the fullback berth, the first string assignment likely will go to a sophomore. In a tight battle for the job are newcomers Don Vicic and Lee Nussbaum. Vicic is a powerful 210-pounder who is an excellent plunger. Nussbaum is given an edge in defensive play, a factor which has won him considerable support.

Hayes regards the end positions as his weakest spot on the line. Lettermen Dick Brubaker, who is co-captain, Dean Dugger and Paul Ludwig are

back, but need help. Bill Michael, Jerry Trabue and Fred Kriss are the most promising sophomores.

Five returning lettermen give the Bucks depth and experience at tackles, but Hayes would swap a bit of those qualities for greater speed. The veterans are Frank Machinsky, Dick Hilinski, Don Stoeckel, Don Swartz and Bob Whetstone. Hilinski and Machinsky will get the starting calls. The best of the newcomers are Aurelius Thomas and Bill Cummings.

Jim Reichenbach and Dave Williams, a pair of lettermen, have won the nod for duty at guards, with two more veterans, Dave Weaver and Ray Riticher, behind them. Two newcomers who figure to help are Jim Wassmund and Bob Whinnery.

There are no worries at center with holdovers Ken Vargo and Jerry Krisher available. They are backed up by Jim Parker, a converted tackle, and Tom Dillman, up from freshman ranks.

**MICHIGAN**—Inability to put together a smooth-functioning offensive unit with a real scoring punch provided a constant problem a year ago for Coach Bennie Oosterbaan.

Michigan finished in a tie for fifth with three victories and a like number of defeats. The significant thing was the Wolverines failed to score a touchdown in two of their defeats and tallied but one in the other.

Now it appears Oosterbaan and Michigan face another struggle with the same problem. From his starting backfield of a year ago the Michigan coach lost two members, left halfback Ted Kress and fullback Dick Balzhiser. The job not only is to replace them, but to come up with gridgers who can top their performances.

Michigan employs the Single Wing as its basic offense and the left half is the key performer. The fullback role also is vital in the Michigan system as it calls for a player with speed and ball-handling ability to make the "spinning" series click.

Top candidates for the left half job are letterman Dan Cline and a trio up from the reserve ranks, Tom Hendricks, Bob Sriver and Dave Rentschler. Sophomores Terry Barr, John Pallin and John Greenwood also will get close inspection.

Fred Baer, a rugged 185-pound letterman, is the outstanding fullback candidate. Behind him come a trio from the reserve ranks, Earl Johnson, Peri Gagalis and Jack Wheeler. Another possibility is Dave Hill, back after Army service in Korea.

Michigan is well set at right half with lettermen Tony Branoff, Ed Hickey and Stan Knickerbocker returning. Branoff is a triple-threat and was the team's top ground-gainer last season with 501 yards on 101 carries. Branoff did most of the punting and had a 32.8 yards average.

Back of the three veterans come George Corey, up from the reserves, and sophomores Lyle Albrandt, Bill Bernard and Ed Shannon.

Lou Baldacci, a well-proportioned 200-pounder who won the quarterback job a year ago as a sophomore, is back. He showed extreme promise and with a year's experience should be an im-



proved field general. Lettermen Ray Kenaga and Duncan McDonald, the latter a passing specialist, rank behind him. Others who may see use at the position are Gordon Barnes, up from the reserves, and sophomores Jim Maddock, George Rich and Marv Nyren.

The Wolverines also face a major job in rebuilding their line. Eleven of 14 players lost by graduation were from the forward wall. Ten returning lettermen form the nucleus around which the line will be reconstructed.

Monogram winners John Veselenak and Gerry Williams are likely starters at end. Jerry Gonser, up from the reserves, and sophomores Ron Kramer, an excellent 210-pound prospect; Charley Brooks and Tom Maentz are pushing them.

The strongest spot is tackle where four lettermen are available in Art Walker and Bill Kolesar, the probable starters; and Ron Geyer and Ed Meads. Back of them come John Morrow, shifted from center; Dave Williams, who was moved from end; Charlie Krahnke, who was out most of last season because of injuries; and sophomores Clem Corona, Jim Davies, Jim Orwig and Tom Tessin.

Captain Ted Cachey and Jim Fox figure as the first string guards with Bob Marion and Joe Shomsky, up from the reserves, and a pair of converted ends, John Kuchka and Dick Vorenkamp, supporting them. The best newcomers are Dick Hill and Bill Steinmeyer.

John Peckham, a husky 215-pound letterman, and Jim Bates, who won a monogram as an end two years ago, lead the center candidates. Back of them come Don Drake and Ray. Wines.

**INDIANA**—Youthful Bernie Crimmins has been through two trying seasons since he took over as head coach at Indiana. His Hoosiers finished last in 1952 and were ninth in 1953. Over that stretch Indiana won only two Big Ten games, while losing 10.

Now, the picture is brighter. Indiana has a long way to come, but Crimmins definitely expects the team to be improved this Fall.

Greater depth plus a general improvement in the caliber of gridgers at every spot provides reason for Crimmins' mild optimism.

Fifteen lettermen are returning to provide a nucleus. However, it is new talent that holds the key.

The brightest and most exciting of the newcomers is Milt Campbell, the 215-pound youngster from Plainfield, N. J. As an 18-year-old schoolboy, Campbell rocketed into prominence with his amazing performances in the 1952 Olympic Games at Helsinki when he finished second to Bob Mathias of Stanford in the decathlon.

Campbell is also a talented football player—an intense competitor, with superlative speed and great power. He has won the starting right half berth. Back of him will be letterman George Bell, with sophomores Bob McNamara and Tom Ritchie supporting them.

The first three left halves of last season graduated. The starting spot likely will go to letterman Don

Domenic, who shifted to halfback mid-way through last season after playing quarterback previously. Pushing him is Bill Takacs, a hard-running sophomore, and Jim Stone, up from the reserves. Also in contention are sophomores Joe Mills, Lou Rogers, Lennie Meckalavage and Joe Pochron.

Three lettermen are dueling for regular duty at fullback. They are Lester Kun, the 1952 starter; John Bartkiewicz and George Crowe. Charley Young, handicapped by injuries most of last season, and Bill Misiak, a 190-pound sophomore, also figure to see service.

The backfield spot Crimmins figures he has gained the greatest strength is at quarterback. Florian Helinski, who developed into a top Split T operator last season, is back. Helinski was fourth in the Big Ten on total offense. A rugged two-way player, Helinski did the bulk of the passing and punting in addition to running the team. He played a total of 453 minutes out of a possible 540.

Backing him up will be letterman Tommy Cassidy and a sophomore trio of Gene Cichowski, Chester McKenzie and Bob Barrett.

Ends have been a chronic trouble spot but the outlook is for improved play. Lettermen Pat Fellinginger and Nate Borden are back. Fellinginger showed steady improvement as a sophomore last season until he suffered a broken leg. Borden is a fine blocker and defensive player, but a mediocre pass receiver. The most promising newcomers are Brad Bomba, six-three and 214 pounds, Tony Aloisio and John Roberson.

**FLORIAN HELINSKI**, Hoosier "iron man," provides Indiana coach with mighty Split-T operator.

**JIM VESEL**, 195-pound senior, is in third year as varsity center of Indiana team now on upsurge.



Crimmins is worried about his tackles. The only returning letterman is Bob Skoronski. He'll likely start at right tackle, with two promising sophomores, 220-pound Gerry McDonald and 218-pound Ted Ross, back of him. At the other tackle will be Ron Rauchmiller, up from the reserves, with sophomores Joe Checkley, Henry Nalepka and Bob Sobczak backing him up.

Lettermen Tom Hall and Tom Dailey are battling for the starting left guard spot, with sophomores Mert Hoagland and Ron Battreal behind them. On the other side of the line letterman Ted Karras has clinched a berth, with Dan Coughlin, up from the reserves, and sophomore Charley Leo in support.

The center job will go to holdover Jim Vesel, with veteran Brock Strom and sophomores Ed Wietecha and Joe Amstutz in contention.

**MINNESOTA**—This is the year of the Big Question Mark in Minnesota football. For the second time in four seasons the Gophers have had a drastic shake-up in their coaching staff.

Wesley Fesler, who supplanted the veteran Bernie Bierman in 1951, resigned suddenly last Winter to enter business. His successor is Murray Warmath, former line coach under Earl (Red) Blaik at Army who comes to the Gophers after two seasons in the top job at Mississippi State.

In place of the Single Wing of Bierman and Fesler regimes, Minnesota will play the Split T under Warmath. The change in offensive patterns has resulted in numerous personnel experiments and these are likely to continue even after the season gets under way.

Graduation took 10 lettermen, with the top loss being the brilliant Paul Giel, star halfback for three seasons and virtually everyone's All-America nominee of last season. There are 21 returning monogram winners, which gives Warmath a sound core of experienced performers and some depth, but to offset that is the gridders unfamiliarity with the system.

The major problem Warmath faces is to come up with a quarterback who can make his Split "T" work. The job is wide open at the moment. Dale Quist, who was Giel's understudy, and Gerald Eisenberg, up from the freshman squad, have been switched from left half to the quarterback post. They'll duel Don Swanson, who was the No. 2 operator last Fall, and Geno Cappelletti, the 1953 starter.

The top ball carrier likely will be Bob McNamara at right half. McNamara underwent a knee operation two months before the 1953 season opened and while he played most of the campaign he never reached top form. Back of him are lettermen Ralph Goode and Joe (Buzz) Meighen.

The other halfback job likely will go to Dick (Pinky) McNamara, a 168-pounder up from the reserves. To provide help at the spot are sophomore Bill Garner, and Dave Sauer, a reserve a year ago.

John Baumgartner, a burly 200-pounder playing his fourth season of varsity football, has won the

starting fullback job with sophomore Clayton Burkstrand and Ken Yackel, a 187-pound senior who starred in hockey, back of him.

Lettermen Ron Smith and Phil McElroy will get the first call at ends. Back of them come lettermen Jim Soltau and a pair advanced from the reserves in Franz Koeneke and John Kapotas and sophomore Tom Juhl.

While the Gophers have three returning lettermen at tackles in Clint Andrus, Gordon Holz and Charles Kubes, one of the starting jobs is going to a sophomore, 240-pound Bob Hobert. The other first string assignment will be Kubes. Sophomore Harold Drescher and Erle Ukkelberg, up from the reserves, also are being counted upon.

A pair of 200-pounders with two seasons of varsity experience, Burnham (Rocky) Elton and Bob Hagemeister, get the nods at guards. To support them will be veterans Mike Falls and Jerry Rau, sophomore Elden Dahl and Bill Garbe, up from the reserves.

There's a real battle at center with Charley Stamschror, a letterman for the past two years, having the inside track. Co-captain Jerry Helgeson missed Spring drills because of participation with the track team and that has handicapped his job bid seriously. He's still in contention along with Vernon Frye, up from the reserves, and Dean Maas, a 215-pound sophomore.

**PURDUE**—The Boilermakers were runner-up for the Big Ten championship in 1951 and shared the title in 1952, but last Fall the roof fell in on Coach Stu Holcomb's outfit and it finished eighth.

**BOB McNAMARA**, top Minnesota back, hauled in 15 passes and averaged 4.8 rushing for Gophers in '53.





## STREET AND SMITH'S FOOTBALL

The Boilermakers figure to be improved, but whether they can push their way back into the first division depends largely on how sophomore talent produces. The squad Holcomb is working with includes 30 sophomores, 17 juniors and 19 seniors.

Twenty lettermen are included on the squad. Nine are backs and give Holcomb his greatest strength in the ball carrying department.

The backfield will be topped by Froncie Gutman, regarded as strictly a defensive specialist when he won a letter as a freshman in 1952 but who developed well as an all-around player last year. Gutman is a fine passer and capable runner. Back of him will be sophomores Leonard Dawson and Stan Eaton.

The starting halfback jobs will go to the versatile Rex Brock, a 160-pound senior, and Ed (Bingo) Neves, a five-foot-five Hawaiian. Neves led the ball carriers last season with an average of 4.4 yards.

Lettermen Ed Zembal and Jim Peters, a pair of scat backs, and sophomore George Hahn will play back of Brock, with sophomores Bill Jennings and John Karason in the supporting roles.

Four lettermen are battling for the fullback position. They are Bill Murakowski, Phil Ehrman, Jerry Jansen and Jim Reichert. Murakowski, who was out most of last season with injuries, appears to have the inside track. A 210-pound Hawaiian, sophomore Dan Fuller, was impressive in the Spring.

The starting end berths will go to Johnny Kerr, honorary co-captain last year, and Leonard Zyzda. Kerr possesses all the qualifications of a great end except height. Zyzda is six-foot-four and weighs

**ED NEVES, 5-foot-5 Hawaiian, paced Purdue's ball carriers last season with 4.4 yards per try.**

**TOM BETTIS, All-Big Ten guard, saw action 51 minutes per game for Boilermakers on grid last Fall.**

**BOB McKEIVER, flashy Northwestern back, returns after missing most of 1953 tilts due to injury.**

**JOHN YOUNG, 215-pound senior tackle, is one of veteran pair at post in line for Northwestern.**



205 pounds. Letterman Bob Springer; a great sophomore prospect in Lamar Lundy, who is six-foot-seven; sophomore Bob Khoenle and Russ Quilhot, up from the reserves, will be available as replacements.

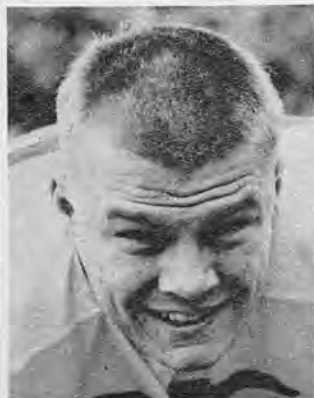
Three lettermen give Purdue good protection at the tackle spots. They are 232-pound Joe Krupa, Frank Paparazzo and Frank Angelotti. Back of them are Dick Murley, a 225-pounder, and James Cahoon, up from the reserves, and sophomores Ed Voytek and Bob Kraus.

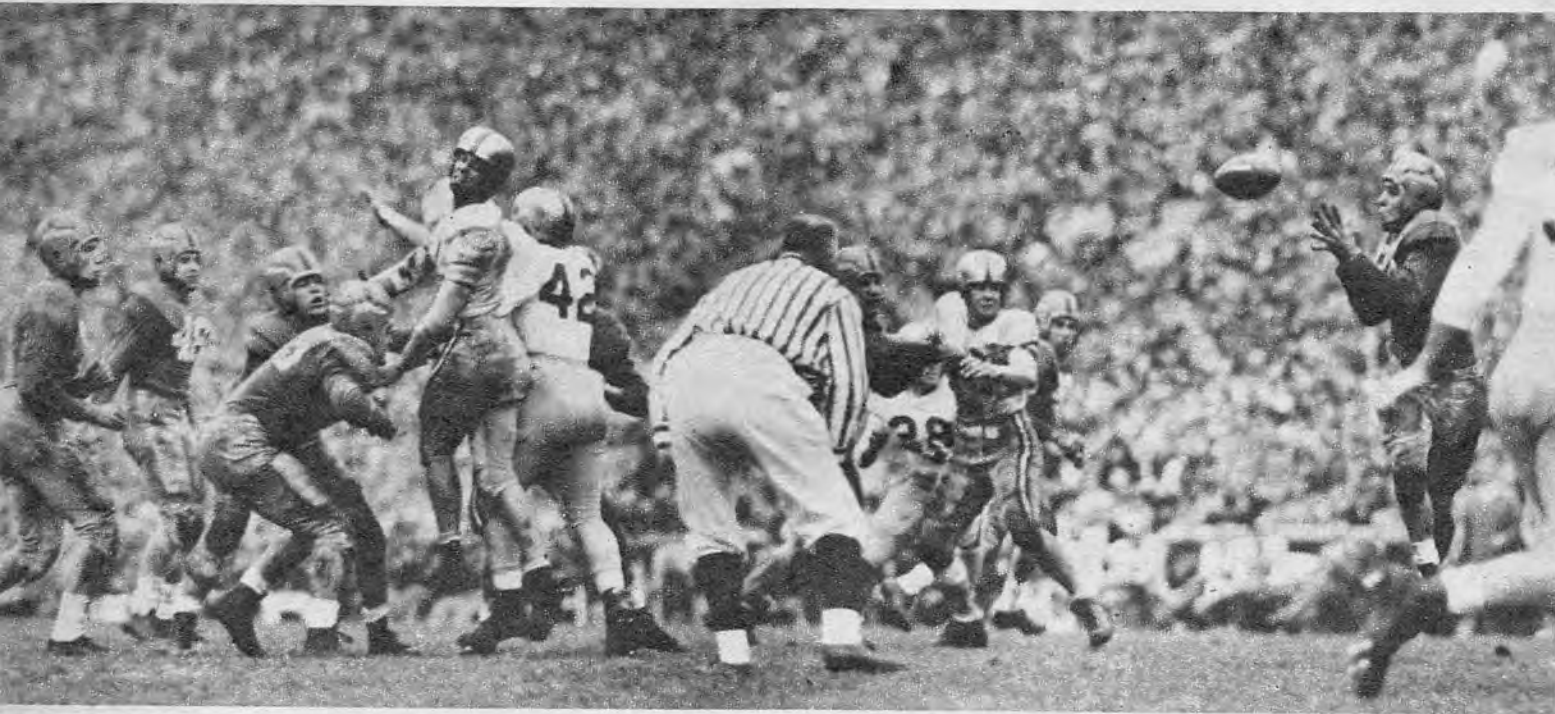
The strongest spot on the line likely will be at guard where All-Conference star Tom Bettis gets first call. Bettis played an average of 51 minutes per game last season. Lettermen Dick Skibinski and Walter Houston are battling for the other starting job, with Russ Addison, Charles Andres, Tom Maloney and Fred Miller, up from the reserves, and sophomores Joe Stepanek and Jim Shea fighting for spots behind them.

John Allen, a letterman, has won the first string center job with veteran Glenn Knecht and sophomore Dale Snelling and John Simerson, another Hawaiian gridder, pushing him.

**NORTHWESTERN**—For the first time in nine seasons, Northwestern failed to win a Big Ten game last season.

The collapse stemmed primarily from a sieve-like defense. With the exception of Iowa State in the opener, every opponent scored at least twice. Throughout early drills, Coach Bob Voigts placed heavy emphasis on defense. Lou Saban, former great line-backer with the Cleveland Browns, was





**RALPH GUGLIELMI** (far left) gets effective blocking from Notre Dame backfield mates as he completes jump pass to **DAN SHANNON** (right) for nine yards as Irish marched to 27-14 victory over Georgia Tech last Fall.

added to the staff especially to direct the defensive work.

Graduation losses were comparatively light and Voigts will have back 26 lettermen. There is a monogram winner to handle every position.

Voigts terms his biggest problem finding a top-flight quarterback. The Wildcats lost Dick Thomas and Don Rondou, the top signal callers a year ago. The only returning veteran is John Rearden. If Rearden doesn't get the call, then it likely will go to Ed Broeker, a rangy sophomore. Back of him are two more newcomers, Jack Ellis and Dale Pienta.

The Wildcat attack was hampered considerably last Fall by the injury to Bob McKeiver, a flashy 160-pounder who excels as a broken field runner. He appears recovered now and likely will get a starting call along with Dick Ranicke. This pair will be pushed by three other lettermen in Jim Troglio, Dick Meyer and Bob King. The best of the sophomore talent is 186-pounder Ron Dunbar, Dick Allison, Dawson Brewer and Dale Rasmussen.

There's excellent strength and depth at full-back. Co-captain Bob Lauter, the regular a year ago, is back. He will be supported by lettermen Wayne Glassman, who performed well as a sophomore, and Jerry Weber. The top newcomers are Tom Williams, a hard-hitting 206-pound sophomore, and John Foster.

Although the Wildcats have three lettermen returning for end duty, Voigts regards the flanks as the trouble spot of his line. The veterans are Ziggy Niepokoj, Dick Peterson and Bob Morman. Two outstanding sophomore prospects pushing them strongly are Jack Stillwell and Stan Dwyer. Dwyer is six-foot-two and weighs 215 pounds.

He and the six-foot Stillwell are excellent pass receivers.

The tackle spots appear well set with John Roche and John Young, the regulars last season, back. To support them are lettermen Kurt Krueger, Sanford Sacks and Merl Searcy. Phil Erickson, a 237-pounder, and Ray Slania, who weighs 208, are the top sophomores. Also in contention is 230-pound Billy Williams, a regular in 1951, who is back from military service.

Lettermen Frank Hren and Ron Riba will get

**FRANK VARRICHIONE**, Notre Dame tackle, heads veteran line for youthful Brennan's bow as pilot.



**JOE HEAP** is top candidate to take over back-field post of All-America Johnny Lattner for Irish.





the starting calls at guard, with lettermen Bob Higley, Dan Kachaturoff and Fred Nosal backing them up. Top newcomers are Don Rabas, John Lohbauer and Don Lambert.

Co-captain John Damore, a 215-pound regular who is returning for his senior season, will be the starting center. Two other lettermen, Tom Callaway and Steve Delaney, are battling with sophomores Ted Ringer and Dave Westmeyer for replacement work.

### INDEPENDENTS

**NOTRE DAME**—Football's top glamour team long has been Notre Dame, but seldom has interest in the Irish reached the peak that it knows this Fall.

The principal reason for the stepped up attention is the startling coaching switch from the "Old Master," Frank Leahy, to 26-year-old Terry Brennan. A young coach never stepped into a tougher spot.

Notre Dame moved through a back-breaking 10-game schedule in Leahy's final campaign without a defeat. The Irish won nine and had the dramatic and controversial 14 to 14 tie with Iowa.

As always Notre Dame faces a rigorous playing chart of 10 games with every foe traditionally "pointing" for the Irish. However, where it was standard procedure for Leahy to weep and wail over Irish prospects, Brennan takes a more optimistic approach. But all observers concede Terry and Notre Dame face trying problems.

The Irish's losses by graduation were not numerically great, totaling only eight with one other letter winner, halfback Dick Washington, missing because of a military service call. However, from a quality standpoint the story is quite different.

Six of the nine departed gridders earned All-America mention on at least one recognized honor team. Two of the gridders, halfback Johnny Latt-

ner and tackle Art Hunter, virtually were unanimous choices.

But, as always, Notre Dame will have top drawer material, plus the intangible quality of spirit.

The nucleus of Brennan's first combination will be 17 returning lettermen.

In a farewell appraisal, Leahy singled out Ralph Guglielmi as a youngster well on his way toward becoming the finest signal caller in Notre Dame's history. The six-foot, 185-pound Guglielmi had a great season in 1953. Not only did he direct the team well, but he completed 52 out of 113 passes for 792 yards. Eight of the tosses were good for touchdowns. To back up Guglielmi will be letterman Tom Carey. The top sophomores at the spot are Paul Hornung, an exceptional punter, and Jack Witucki.

Obviously a team can't lose a great all-around back of Lattner's caliber without feeling it. Filling his spot is Brennan's major worry. Lattner's running mate of a year ago, Joe Heap, who gained 314 yards in 62 carries, is the top candidate. Two other lettermen are Dick Keller and Don Schaefer. The sophomore candidates who figure to push these veterans include Sherill Sipes, Jim Morse and Gerry Gerami.

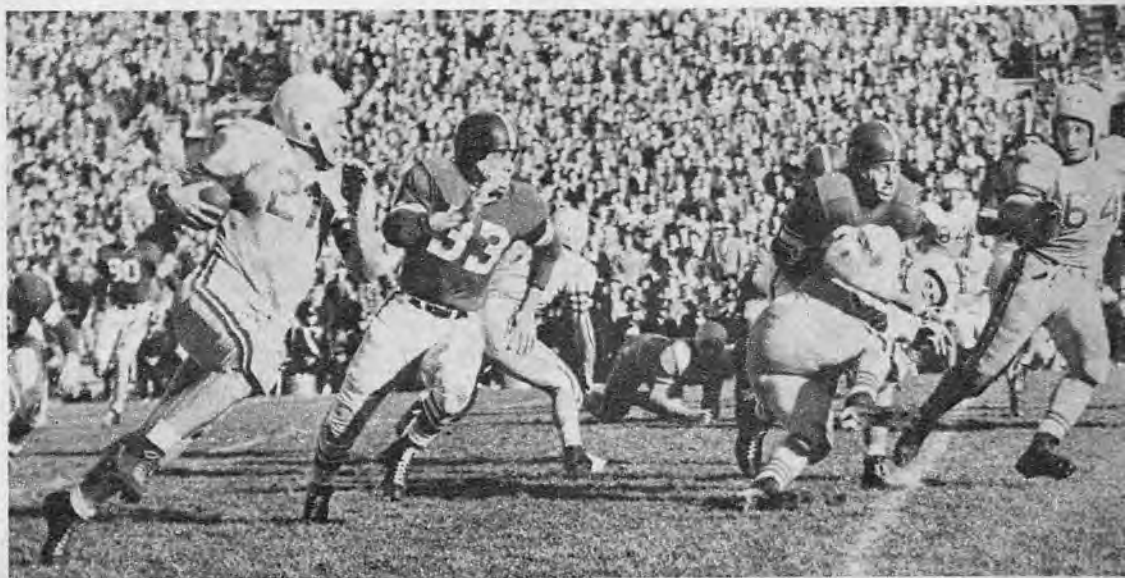
The talented Paul Reynolds, who remained out of competition a year ago to have a knee operation, is back. Reynolds has speed and power to make the offense click if his knee holds up. Another letterman available is Dick Fitzgerald, who picked up 254 yards on 56 carries as understudy to Neil Worden. The leading sophomore prospects are Dave Kaiser, a 195-pound plunger, Tom Hughes and Frank Harrison.

The Notre Dame co-captains, Paul Matz and Dan Shannon, will be at the ends. Both are powerful defensive operators, but a bit below standard offensively. Another letterman returning for flank duty is George Donald. Gene Kapish, up from the



DICK SHOCKEY, Marquette field general, passed for 773 yards and rushed for 248 last year.

RON DRZEWIECKI, who scored nine td's for Marquette in '53, clears Michigan State end as TOM BRAATZ throws a key block aided by STAN ANDRIE (64).





HENRY FORD, left, expert passer and punter for Pitt, in at left half after directing team in '53.



LOU PALATELLA, Pitt tackle, returns after missing entire '53 season due to leg fracture in Spring.

reserves, is being counted upon along with newcomers Bob Scannell and Dave Davin.

The first string tackle jobs will go to Frank Varrichione, the central figure in the disputed play of the Iowa game, and Sam Palumbo, a veteran of three seasons. Letterman Bob Ready, a rugged 218-pounder; and Wayne Edmonds, a 205-pound Negro youngster, are back of them. The brightest of the newcomers are 210-pound Bob Mondron, George Groble and Joe Bosse.

Three lettermen are back at guard with Jack Lee and Ray Lemek slated for starting duty. Veteran Pat Bisceglia and newcomers Pete McCabe, Tom Zervas and Tom Cunningham are available.

Dick Szymanski, a 215-pound senior, gets the nod at center, with Dick Frasor and Jim Mense, up from the reserves, and newcomers Byron Beams, 220; Luke Carrabine and Bob Coyne also in contention.

**MARQUETTE**—Nine points short of gridiron greatness, that was the fate of the 1953 Marquette team. The Hilltoppers lost to Indiana by one point, to Wisconsin by two and Michigan State by six. They played a tie with College of the Pacific and won their other six contests.

It was a team with fine overall strength, but just a bit shy in depth.

There's been a change in the Marquette high command of coaching with Lisle Blackburn resigning to take over as head coach of the Green Bay Packers and F. L. (Frosty) Ferzacca coming from Green Bay West High School to assume the Marquette duties.

Ferzacca was eminently successful in high school ranks, finishing with 24 straight triumphs over three years.

Ferzacca will employ the Split "T" as his basic offense, while working some also from the Straight "T".

The new coach has inherited excellent material that includes 23 lettermen, a returning serviceman who won a letter in 1951 and four promising transfers.

Marquette shapes up as particularly strong in the backfield where there are 13 returning veterans.

The top performer likely will be halfback Ron Drzewiecki, who has been the leading ground gainer and top scorer for the past two years. He piled up 512 yards on 76 carries last season and scored nine touchdowns.

The team again will be directed by Dick Shockey, a 210-pounder who is an excellent passer and runner. He completed 61 out of 117 passes for 773 yards and picked up 248 rushing last season. He was among the nation's top 20 ball carriers in total offense.

To handle the power phase of the attack will be fullback Dave Donarski, who was second to Drzewiecki in rushing. He picked up 460 yards on 94 carries. Donarski is a fine blocker and a talented line-backer on defense.

Other top ranked backs include the veterans Ray Zagar, Fred Connally, Don Molenda, Bob Girman and Floyd Campbell, a transfer.

The line will be topped by co-captain George Brehm, a 195-pound end who was the leading pass receiver a year ago with 19 catches good for 325 yards, and co-captain Tom Braatz, a good all-around flanker.

Jim Pasterski, a 215-pound tackle, is an outstanding two-way performer, and Stan Andrie, a 221 guard, figures to have a great year. Other good line prospects include three transfers, tackles Jerry Schoen, and George Kovacik and guard Bill Clancy.

**PITTSBURGH**—Coach Lowell (Red) Dawson, who is starting his third season at the helm at Pittsburgh, figures to be better prepared to meet the demands of the single platoon this Fall. He will have back 19 lettermen plus six returning monogram winners of previous years.

Dawson has done considerable juggling in an effort to come up with the most efficient combination. As always, the Panthers face a back-breaking schedule.

Pitt experienced numerous offensive problems a year ago, but improved line play plus increased backfield speed will give the Panthers more punch.

Rudy Mattioli, the regular quarterback in 1952 who saw scant service a year ago in the switch to one platoon play, will be back as first string signal caller. In the top unit with him will be Henry Ford at left half, after playing quarterback last season; sophomore Nick Passodelis at right half and veteran Bob Grier at full.

Ford will be playing his third season as a regular. As a "T" quarterback last season he completed 33 out of 80 passes and gained 174 yards rushing. He also is a fine punter.

Another unit will have Bill Amos, a transfer from Maryland, at quarter; sophomores Cornelius



Salvaterra and Ambrose Bagamery at halfbacks and Tom Jenkins at full.

Other backs who figure prominently in Dawson's plans are holdovers Richie McCabe and Dick Manson; sophomores Jim Lenhart and Carrell Lewis and three 1952 lettermen, Bill Hoffman, Chester Rice and John Jacobs.

The Pitt line will be led by a pair of brilliant tackles in Eldred Kraemer and Lou Palatella. The 220-pound Kraemer was a prominent All-America nominee in 1952 and then played outstanding games late last season after recovering from injuries. Palatella suffered a broken leg in pre-season drills a year ago and missed the entire campaign.

On the first string line with them will be veteran Johnny Paluck and sophomore Joe Walton at ends; holdover Al Bolkovac and sophomore Vince Scorsone at guards and John Cenci at center.

The second string line is indicative of the switches Dawson has made. Glen Dillon, who figures to be at one end, formerly played left half, and Joe Los, a guard, was moved to the spot from fullback. With them will be Bob Rosborough at the other end; sophomore Bob Pollack and holdover Bill Cessar at tackles; holdover Ed Stowe at guard opposite Los and Ed Bose at center.

Other linemen who figure to see considerable service are Bob Kennedy, a 1952 letterman, Bob McQuaide and Dick Scherer at ends; Dick Gatz and Herman Canil at tackles; Harold Hunter and Howard Linn at the guard spots and Bob Ballock at center.

**CINCINNATI**—One of the nation's most successful coaches, 43-year-old Sid Gillman has built Cincinnati into a top Mid-Western gridiron power during his five-year regime.

While Cincinnati piled up 354 points, an average of almost six touchdowns per game, the outstanding quality of the 1953 team actually was defense. The Bearcats permitted only 58 points and only in their one losing encounter with Marquette did any foe score more than once.

From that strong combination, Gillman has back 19 lettermen plus an exceptionally promising group of sophomores.

Cincinnati is well set with experienced performers at every spot. The veteran ends are Glen Dillhoff, John Masdea, Don Schnurrenberger and Mike Del Fine. A pair of promising sophomore flankers are Don Presley and Gary Mortmore.

The tackle spots will be handled by lettermen Noel Guyot, Wes Ritchey, Jack Snyder and Ferd Maccioli, with Marv Merritt, a bright newcomer.

Jack Campbell, Ken Wolf and Gene McCann, all veterans, get top billing at guards, with sophomore Dan Whipple and Gus Del Rosa pushing them.

Lettermen Dave Faulkner and Erv Single are the top centers, with sophomores Bill Carney and Tom McGraw in contention.

Mike Murphy, who had a great season at quarterback as a sophomore, is back. Murphy completed 44 out of 70 passes that went for 809 yards. Seven of the tosses were good for touchdowns. Two newcomers, Rudy Comchoc and Bill Williams, will serve as understudies.

Captain Dick Goist, a brilliant ball carrier who topped the team in ground-gaining a year ago with 561 yards in 64 carries, tops the halfbacks. Lettermen Dick Pardini and Irv Turner are battling for the other starting job with sophomores Jim Niemann and George Ruth, a youngster who is rated the fastest man on the squad.

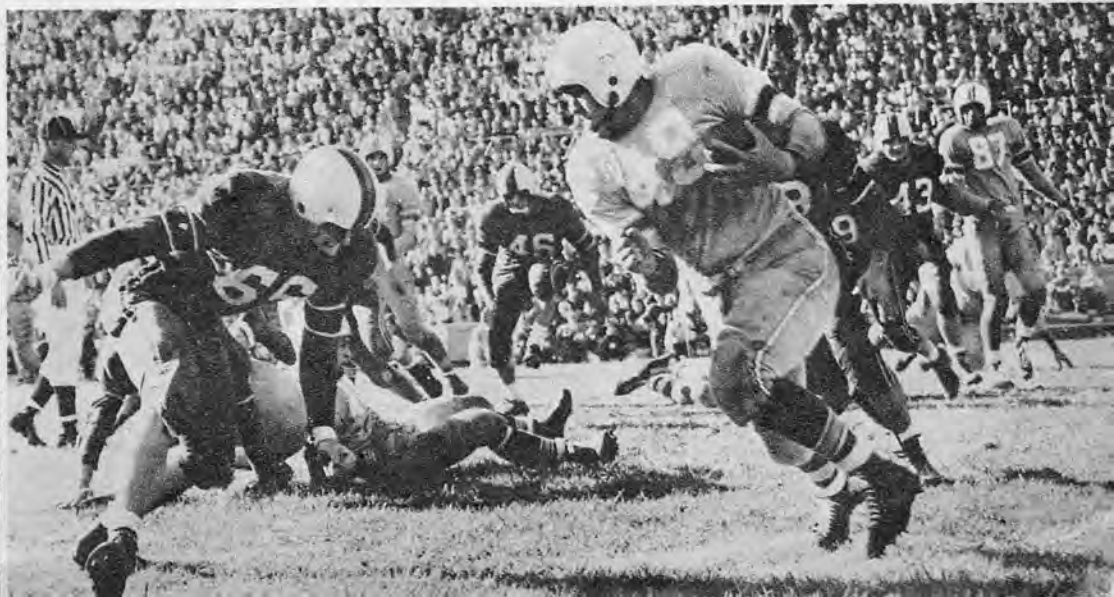
Veteran Joe Miller gets the starting fullback call over sophomores Bob Moschetti and Jim Brooks.

**JOHN CARROLL (Ohio)**—John Bryne, a rangy, 205-pound guard who was one of the Mid-West's finest small college linemen a year ago, tops a list of 12 returning lettermen who figure to give John Carroll another winning season.

Bryne will be the key performer of an exceedingly strong middle of the John Carroll forward wall. Ed Palkovic, another letterman, will be at the opposite guard and the veteran Dick Walker at center.

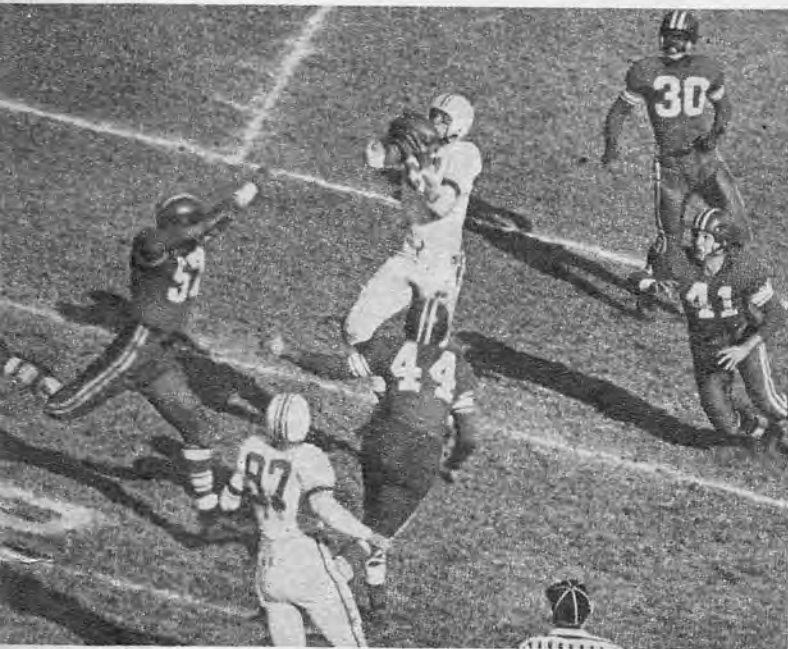
**DICK GOIST**, top Cincinnati ground-gainer in '53, captains '54 team.

**MIKE DEL FINE**, Cincinnati's crack end, is about to crash-land on Flyers' Jimmy Shafor who picked up a Dayton fumble for 6 yards. Cinncy won 27-0, in '53.





**JIM SPOERL**, Dayton quarterback, gets pass off despite Miami's **DAVE HAINES** (58) and **DICK SCHOROVICH**.



**JIM KATCAVAGE** grabs it within circle of Miamians to put ball in position for Dayton score.

**DON McHENRY** (97), Flyer back, follows through on next play for touchdown but Miami (O.) won 20 to 7.



This trio gives Coach Herb Eisele's outfit top talent in two-way performers. Another youngster who figures to help the defense is Don Mack, a transfer from Notre Dame.

The backfield will be topped by quarterback Pete Ghirla and fullback Mike Torrelli. Ghirla is an exceptional passer whose aeriels accounted for 630 yards and 10 touchdowns a year ago. Torrelli is a 220-pound fullback, who picked up 300 yards in 44 carries. He had his greatest game in a 33 to 19 triumph over Xavier when he raced 90 yards for one touchdown and went 85 yards with a pass for another.

Coach Eisele's major problem in moulding another top outfit is to come up with a pair of ends and a good set of tackles.

**DAYTON (Ohio)**—Hugh Devore, the former Notre Dame star, returns to the collegiate coaching ranks to take over the head spot at Dayton.

While Devore may require time to install his system, there's an air of optimism over the Flyers chances. Dayton will have 16 lettermen returning plus some exceptionally promising material up from the freshman squad.

Dayton failed to score in four of its nine contests a year ago and the offensive-minded Devore is determined that will not occur this Fall. Heavy emphasis has been placed on putting together smooth-working backfield combinations.

One unit will be built around Jimmy Spoerl, a triple threat quarterback. The halfbacks likely will be Don McHenry, a fine runner who was handicapped last season by injuries, and Chuck Guida, a fancy-stepping 160-pounder. The fullback will be 193-pound Ralph Jellic.

Another combination likely will have George Schmidt at quarter; Billy Smith, a brilliant prospect up from the freshman, and Jim DeFabio at the halves and burly 205-pound Vic Kristopaitis at fullback.

Other promising backs who may break into the lineup are quarterbacks Jerry Bush and Chuck Muzio; halfbacks John Bettinger and Don Weeks and fullbacks Bernie Burke and Jim Haggerty.

Devore is worried about depth at end. The top performers are Jim Katcavage, a 205-pounder who is a fine blocker; Jack Muldowney, a 225-pounder whom Flyer fans feel may become one of the Mid-West's top terminalmen, and Jim Kozlevchar, up from the freshman.

**JIM SHAFOR**, a fine all-around gridder, will man guard post for Dayton as captain of '54 Flyers.

**JACK MULDOWNNEY**, 225-pound Dayton tackle, shifting to end in Devore's effort to bolster flanks.





John Grogan, a six-foot-four 210-pounder, and 230-pound Al Weckle figure as first string tackles, with Jerry Callahan pushing them.

Captain Jimmy Shafor, a fine all-around gridder, will hold down one guard berth, with Vince Werl at the other. Shafor set a school record last season by recovering six fumbles. In supporting roles will be Roger Towle, Jim Martin, John Magaw, George Veneziale and Don Chantos, a transfer.

Jim Ducato, who was the regular a year ago, will be back for duty at center, with Joe Novak, a transfer from Houston; holdover Jerry Ward, and Bill Casey and Bob Blommel, up from the freshman squad, in reserve.

**BALDWIN-WALLACE (Ohio)**—Manpower is the major problem Paul (Sparky) Adams faces as he takes over the Baldwin-Wallace coaching reins from Lou Juillerat. Baldwin-Wallace ended last season with a meager squad of 28 players and since the use of freshmen will not be permitted this Fall, Adams has real worries over player depth. Fifteen lettermen are returning.

Adams will have a light, but fast backfield. Sophomore Karl Justus will direct the "T" formation attack with James Currens, a 155-pounder and George Riley at the halfback spots and 165-pounder James Tyree at fullback.

Tyree had a total offense mark of 511 yards on 87 plays, compiled a 39.5 yards punting average, caught 14 passes for 200 yards and topped the team in scoring with 48 points.

The line will be led by Bill Joseph, 190-pound end, who caught 16 aeriels for 532 yards and seven touchdowns, and Bill Beyer, a 170-pound tackle.

**CENTRAL MICHIGAN**—With 22 lettermen returning, Central Michigan again figures to be among the small college leaders of the Mid-West.

Coach Kenneth A. (Bill) Kelly also will have halfback Bernie Raterink, a transfer from Michigan State, and some excellent prospects up from the freshman squad.

Speed in the backfield will be one of the team's major assets. To go with Raterink will be Jim Podoley, a fine all-around athlete who won the Kansas Relays decathlon championship; LaVerne Wolf, Jerry Thomas, Jim King and Jarv Walz.

The line will be led by Dick Kackmeister, 202-pound center. Other top linemen are Steve Marovich, Oliver Porter, Tom Mason, and Mel Pospeich.

**XAVIER (Ohio)**—Coach Ed Kluska has switched from the conventional to the Split T. To direct the new offense he will have an outstanding performer in quarterback Norman Zmyskinski. An excellent runner as demanded by the Split T, clicked on passes for 367 yards last Fall and averaged 39.7 yards for 30 punts. He is one of 17 lettermen.

In the backfield with Zmyskinski likely will be Lenny Frey, playing his third year as a regular at right half and Captain Lou Magliano at left half. Gene Jochem will be at full.

Another backfield combination probably will have Jim Brockhoff at quarter; Gino Paolini and Charlie O'Leary at the halves and veteran Don St. John at fullback.

Three lettermen are returning for end duty. They are Jack FitzWilliam, Chuck Kirkhoff and Don Turney, with Steve Junker, up from the freshman squad, pushing them.

Francis Sweeney, a 213-pounder, and 232-pound Bob Sturgeon, both lettermen, have the inside track at tackle, with Joe Polich, the brightest of the newcomers.

Two holdovers, Jim Schwartz and Bob Toth, have won starting guard assignments, with sophomores Frank Bachman, Jerry Fuller and Phil Magliano in reserve.

A pair of lettermen, Neal Loughran and Bob Monahan, are battling for the first string center job, with Elbie Burns, up from the reserves, and sophomore Don Currens, also available.

**BUTLER (Indiana)**—The return of eight first string performers among 17 lettermen gives Coach Tony Hinkle prospects for another bright year at Butler.

The line appears extremely strong with only two starters missing. Veteran material available includes Leo Mahoney, Scott Chandler and Manert Kennedy at ends; John Davis, Ralph London and Dick Macy at tackles; Bob Eichnoltz, Dave Scruggs and Paul Furnish at guards and centers Joe Adams and Dick Berndt.

Butler's big backfield problem is to find replacements for its top passer, quarterback Fred Davis, and halfback Norm Ellenberger.

To fill the quarterback spot, Tom Rohrabough is moving up from the understudy role. Les Gerlach, switched from quarter, and Leroy Thompson likely will be the halfbacks, with Gene Kuzmic, the leading scorer a year ago, at fullback.

**DEPAUW (Indiana)**—Coach Edwin (Mike) Snavely's green, freshman-laden team tied one game and lost seven last season. The experience gained by that rugged campaign figures to pay dividends this year, however.

Fifteen lettermen are back, plus a pair of 1952 monogram winners in quarterback Dick McCracken and lineman Dick O'Connor, who missed last year's play when they were in Europe as exchange students.

Vying with McCracken for backfield spots will be Gary Jones, the total offense leader last year; Don Boveri, Marion Wingard and Art Bryant.

The outstanding line nominees besides O'Connor, who is a 190-pound center, are end Dick Nowling and guard Jack McNairy.

#### MID-AMERICA CONFERENCE

**MIAMI**—In the three years youthful Ara Parseghian has been directing gridiron affairs, Miami has won 22 games, lost five and tied one. Last season it finished second in the Mid-America Conference.

There are 21 lettermen returning from that powerful combination. While Parseghian has a backfield problem created by the graduation of Tom Pagna, the team's leading ground gainer and scorer, the material appears at hand to fill the gap.

The key backfield performer will be Bob Bronston at fullback, who gained 285 yards on 54 carries. He has excellent speed and power, but his development has been hindered by a fractured cheek bone.

Miami will have superlative speed at the half-back spots with Paul Boykin, Tirrell Burton, Ed Merchant, Tom Troxwell and Jack Acus. All are track men.

The starting quarterback post likely will fall to a fine sophomore prospect, Tom Dimitroff. Back of him are two returning lettermen, Dick Hunter and Denny Studrawa. Hunter completed 30 out of 62 passes last year for 626 yards and 10 touchdowns. Studrawa hit 20 out of 35 tosses for 379 yards and six touchdowns.

Top lineman back from a team which gave up only 52 points is Tom Jones, six-foot-five, 245-pound tackle. Jones has been an All-Mid America selection for the past two years. The other tackle berth will go to Roger Siesel, a 212-pounder.

Jay Ansel, who caught 13 passes good for 184 yards, is back for his fourth season as a regular. Two other lettermen ends are Mel Baker and John Stottlemeyer.

Stan Jones and Lloyd Williams, a pair of letter-

**BOB BRONSTON**, Miami (O.) fullback, accounted for 285 yards on 54 tries for Mid-America title bidders.



men, top the guard candidates, while Dick Mattern is back for duty at center.

**OHIO UNIVERSITY**—Football prosperity has been a habit at Ohio University since Carroll Widdoes moved into the head coaching spot after a highly successful career at Ohio State.

From the title winning 1953 aggregation Widdoes has back 11 lettermen.

Ohio U. will build its line around captain John Schwab, a 170-pound guard who won All-Conference honors, and Stan Maschino, a rugged 200-pound tackle.

The Bobcats rolled up 245 points last season and Widdoes expects to have another potent offensive unit led by quarterback Bill Frederick and halfbacks Ted Jackson and Erland Ahlberg. Jackson averaged 4.6 yards per carry as he rushed for 323 yards, while Ahlberg gained 178 yards on 25 attempts.

**WESTERN RESERVE**—Western Reserve will have back 27 lettermen to form the nucleus of a team which may eclipse the 5-3-1 mark compiled a year ago.

Hope for improvement rests largely in the backfield where Coach Eddie Finnegan appears to have more versatile talent for his Single Wing.

Harold (Candy) Carroll, All-Mid-America Conference fullback as a sophomore in 1952, is back after a year's inactivity. As a sophomore he averaged five yards a try and was outstanding on defense.

The halfbacks will be lettermen Dan Kramer, who will play the key left half spot and do the bulk of the passing, and Jack Evans. Curt Gear, fullback last season, has switched to quarterback.

The line will be led by Gerry Mansell, a 225-pound tackle; Don Davidoff, 205-pound guard;

**BILL FREDERICK**, Ohio U's outstanding quarterback, was on All Mid-American Conference team last year.





and Roger Bryant, a talented pass catching end.

Western Reserve will have greater team speed as one of its major assets, while Finnegan lists a doubtful defense as his chief problem.

**KENT STATE**—Superior team speed and excellent backfield strength figure to make Kent State a title contender.

Trevor Rees, has 13 lettermen returning. The offense will be built around Lou Mariano and Mike Norcia, two holdovers.

Mariano, a deaf mute, topped the team in rushing and scoring in 1953. Although limited to part time duty, he scored 66 points and gained 816 yards on 98 carries. Norcia was runner-up with 65 points and had a brilliant 7.2 yards per carry average as he gained 608 yards in 82 attempts.

Kent State will have a pair of fine ends in captain Sonji Herzberg and 220-pound Joe Barbee. Other top linemen are Nunzio Polichene, a 194-pound center, and Dick Tate, a guard. Finding a pair of capable tackles is a key problem.

**TOLEDO**—There's been a complete overhauling of the athletic picture at Toledo with Forrest W. (Frosty) England moving into the head coaching and athletic director's job. England, who introduced the Split T, faces a sizeable rebuilding job.

Ten lettermen are returning, but heavy emphasis is being placed on performers up from the freshman. The backfield will be built around Mel Triplett, a 210-pound fullback who gained 479 yards in 81 carries. To aid him will be Bob Morrissey, Ed Kaser, Dick McKinny, Dick Basich and Ned Warren.

Development of a strong line is a major problem. The top candidates are 235-pound George Machoukas at center; tackles Dan Farbrother and Pat Connors and guard Bob Dame.

**MARSHALL**—Injuries, military service calls and scholastic difficulties cut heavily into Marshall's gridiron personnel a year ago and Coach Herb Royer finished the season with only 19 players. Royer will have far greater depth this season.

The line will be led by co-captain Albie Maier, a 205-pound guard, who heads a list of 13 returning lettermen. The other guard spot will go to Bob McCollins, a 190-pound letterman. Ted D'Alesio, a 255-pounder, has won a tackle berth and Jerry Snow will be at center.

Henry Hinte, a 160-pounder who was shifted to quarterback late last season, will be back as the signal caller. The halfback spots will go to letterman Garland Barnhart and Fred Freeman, a 165-pound sophomore. Dyke Six will be at fullback.

**BOWLING GREEN**—Coach Bob Whittaker is confident his team will start a comeback move this season. There are 15 lettermen returning, including nine linemen and six backs.

The offense will be built around quarterback Bill Bradshaw who topped the nation's punters a year ago with a fine 44 yard average. He com-

pleted 48 out of 126 passes for 865 yards and added another 238 yards by rushing.

In the backfield with him will be John Ladd and Jack Giroux at the halfback spots and Glenn Freimark at full. Ladd was runner-up in rushing with 205 yards. He also is a fine defensive player. Giroux, a 185-pound sophomore, was voted the outstanding newcomer in Spring drills. Freimark, playing his third year, is an excellent plunger.

The line will be built around a pair of promising ends in Martin Keipp and Tim Murnen, a 190-pound sophomore who was shifted to the flank from tackle; the 260-pound Kenneth Russell, tackle; Keith Fowler, guard; and 195-pound Bill Robinson, center.

**WESTERN MICHIGAN**—Coach Jack Petoskey will have 18 returning lettermen plus four transfer gridders and a returning monogramman coming out of service.

Bruce Bosma, who missed the major portion of last season because of injuries, looms as the top backfield performer. He's a fine runner and talented passer. To go with him will be Burl Breed, Don McHley, Bill Flaherty and Bill Barnard and newcomer Leland David.

The line will be built around veterans Jim Devine, a guard, and tackle Leslie Koster. They'll get help from Paul Gunderman, an excellent end prospect.

**DICK KACKMEISTER**, 6-foot-4, 202-pound center, was great line-backer as well for Central Michigan in '53.



## OHIO CONFERENCE

**DENISON**—A young coach getting his first shot at a head coaching job takes over the Denison football reins this fall. He is 32-year-old Keith W. Piper, who succeeds Jack Carl.

Prospects are bright for Piper's debut as Denison will have back 20 lettermen from a squad which lost only to Mount Union and Ohio Wesleyan, each by one point.

Experience and speed will be the major assets of the team. The paramount problem appears to be development of a pair of high class ends. Otherwise the line looks strong with its key performer, captain Andy Deeds, a 190-pound guard.

The top back is fullback Ray Volz, who averaged 6.4 yards per try while rolling up 607 yards.

**OHIO WESLEYAN**—Coach Glenn Fraser will have back 13 lettermen from his title winning squad, which was unbeaten in 1953 conference play.

Wesleyan owed its championship to its high-powered offense which rolled up 243 points. Quarterback Bob Hancher, who completed 28 out of 54 passes for 418 yards, will direct the team again. The halfbacks will be Carl Peggs, leading ground gainer with 561 yards in 126 carries, and Bill Wolfe, who averaged 5.4 yards on 63 attempts.

While graduation took some top line talent, adequate replacements appear available in ends Bob Davies and Frank Lescinsky; tackles Dud Ferguson, a 210-pounder, and 215-pound Jim Berry; guards Al Longo and Dave Nystrom and center Jerry Ritter.



**JIM PESICEK**, Hiram quarterback, is excellent passer with 1,533 yards to his credit in past 2 seasons.

**CARL PEGGS**, tailback for unbeaten Ohio Wesleyan, romps around Heidelberg end in 21-20 win.



**HEIDELBERG**—Twelve returning lettermen figure to provide the nucleus for another powerful combination for Coach Paul Hoernemann.

Heidelberg possessed unusual defensive skill last year as it held five opponents scoreless and gave up an aggregate of only 51 points.

Walter Livingston, who led the team in ground gaining as a freshman with 648 yards in 124 carries, and Roy King, who picked up 265 yards in 53 attempts, top the backs.

An excellent line will be bulwarked by 205-pound Jim O'Donnell and Ron Easton, tackles; and guards Jerry Zimmerman, Henry Croft and Fred McGarvey.

**AKRON**—A new coach, Joe McMullen, who comes to Akron from Washington and Jefferson (Pa.) College, will have 24 lettermen to aid him in his bid for a successful debut.

In the backfield the starting unit will have John Cistone at quarterback; Marion Rossi and Angelo (Buster) Rizzo at halfbacks and sophomore Bob Schutzbach at full. Another unit will have Larry Hamlin at quarter; John Brady and Tom Hillery or Dave McKoski at the halfbacks and Joe Mazzagatti at full.

Rossi was the leading passer of the Ohio Conference last season and was among the top 25 "small college" performers nationally. He completed 51 out of 100 passes for 893 yards. Seven were good for touchdowns.

The line will be paced by a pair of fine ends in John Verdon and George Shadie, with Phil Schember and Tony Paris at tackles and Mario Russo and Jerry Reeves at guards.

**MOUNT UNION**—To take full advantage of his material, Coach Nelson Jones will switch from the Single Wing to the Split "T."

Mount Union will have far greater over-all team speed and Jones figures this will increase the offensive efficiency.

To direct the team will be holdover quarterback Jim Bolton. Another veteran bidding for the job is Dave Behrendt.

Sophomore Dick Koons and Jim McLaughlin appear to have the inside track for halfback jobs, with lettermen J. D. Ray and Ed Baldwin battling it out for the fullback role they shared a year ago. Other backs who figure to see heavy service are Jack Clements and Pat Anderson.

Ten returning lettermen give Mount Union good strength along the line. Veterans Joe Zelasko, Dean Miller and Bert Patterson are back at ends; with Cornelius Vanderbilt and Art Spencer returning at tackles; Caesar Churchwell, Lee Swartz and Jack Stranges for work at guards and Dormie Wells and Curt Rehffuss for center duty. Wells and Churchwell both were mentioned prominently in all-league selections.

**MUSKINGUM**—The best passing combination in the Ohio Conference a year ago was Muskingum's set of quarterback Joe McDaniel and end Walt



Burney. The 164-pound McDaniel completed 44 out of 98 tosses good for 732 yards. Five of the passes went for touchdowns. The amazing part of McDaniel's record was that he didn't have a pass intercepted. The 190-pound Burney led the league's ends by a wide margin as he snagged 26 passes good for 491 yards.

Coach Edgar Sherman has back 20 lettermen. In addition to the McDaniel-to-Burney passing combination, Sherman is counting on offensive help from halfback Ron Apperson, who rolled up 524 yards on 86 carries.

**WITTENBERG**—A powerful running attack is being counted upon to provide another winning season.

Coach R. E. (Tom) Ness has back 21 lettermen.

The backfield will be led by Gene Urbanski, who picked up 576 yards last season, and Del Shannon, a promising passer.

The line will be built around end Ron Bechtel, who caught 12 passes for 279 yards; Harry Yingst, six-foot-five tackle, and guard Harold Walkers.

**WOOSTER**—Rebuilding a backfield is the major task which faces Coach Phil Shipe. Gone are Johnny Siskowic and Jim Ewers, who rated one-two in the offensive standings. Dick Jacobs, who gained 418 yards on 47 attempts, and Ned Martin, with 157 yards in 29 tries, are the best bets to replace them.

The air arm will be handled by quarterback Ted Hole, who connected on 34 out of 74 passes for 599 yards and nine touchdowns. Another returning backfield veteran is Bill Stoner, who rates as an exceptional defensive player.

Jerry Smith, a transfer from Arkansas, is a six-foot-three end who figures to provide considerable help. Other prominent linemen include Darrell Ewers and Bob McGuire, ends; Jim Crow, Don Morris and Virg Musser, tackles; guards Tom Bing and Dick Steafanek; and centers Jack Dowd and Sam Siskowic.

**CAPITAL**—A return to top physical condition and stardom by quarterback Jack Cherrington apparently holds the key to a successful season for Capital. As a sophomore in 1952, Cherrington piled up 1,180 yards through the air as he completed 65 out of 143 passes. Nineteen of his tosses were good for touchdowns. Last season, Cherrington was hampered seriously by a shoulder injury.

If Cherrington can regain his old-time form, Capital should have better balance with the running attack sparked by halfbacks Bruce McGinnis and Ronnie James.

The line will be topped by John Amato, a 170-pound guard who gained numerous All-Conference mentions last season.

Coach Jack Landrum will have 17 lettermen.

**MARIETTA**—After two extremely thin years devoted to rebuilding, Coach John R. (Red) Smith expects to see the team's fortunes improve this

Fall. Marietta will have back 17 lettermen, plus four transfer gridders.

Joe Scarnack, who won the regular quarterback job as a freshman and led the team in both passing and running, is back. He completed 26 out of 56 passes for 216 yards and averaged 4.4 yards per carry. He'll have help from Rudy Sharkey and Dale Deblander, a pair of clever halfbacks.

The line will be led by Nunzio Chelli, a 180-pound guard who bids to be one of the Ohio Conference's top linemen. Coach Smith's major problem is at tackle.

**KENYON**—Coach Bill Stiles believes the experience gained a year ago will make his predominantly sophomore combination stronger this season.

A pair of big tackles, 198-pound John Harris and 201-pound John Wilcox will spark the Kenyon line. Harris, extremely aggressive, is a good blocker and a fine defensive performer. To bolster the line, Stiles has switched Eugene Mio from fullback to end.

Kenyon's backfield will be directed by Robert Rowe, a good kicker and passer. At the halfback spots will be Frank Gingerich, the team's leading ground gainer, and Richard Fleaser. Kurt Reissler, a 190-pounder who was one of the freshmen stars of last season, will be at fullback.

**HIRAM**—Lack of a sound running attack provided countless headaches for Coach Al Pesek last Fall as Hiram failed to win a conference game. Development of a ground game that will provide balance for an excellent air attack still is a problem. Key man in that respect is fullback Al Hrabak, who, as a freshman, accounted for almost half the team's rushing yardage—254 in 62 carries.

There are no worries about passing with quarterback Jim Pesicek returning. During the past two seasons Pesicek has gained 1,533 yards through the air as he clicked on 52 per cent of his pass attempts.

Hiram has 18 lettermen returning, plus end Walter Bright, who won a monogram in 1951.

The Hiram line will be built around six-foot-five, 220-pound Ward Nair, an end. Nair was a brilliant performer in 1952 when he caught 20 passes good for 339 yards. He missed most of last season because of a shoulder injury.

**OBERLIN**—This is Lysle K. Butler's 25th year as Oberlin's football coach and his proteges would like to make the anniversary a happy one.

With 12 lettermen back, there are prospects of an improved offense with Edwin Gurdjian, a 217-pound halfback, fullback Dick Ross and quarterback Dan Langner in the starring roles. Langner tossed seven touchdown passes last season as he connected on 45 aeriels good for 595 yards.

The line will be led by co-captains and senior tackles Bill Albrech and Gaius Slosser. Other top line prospects are guard Tom Sherman and end Charles Robinson.



**GUY BEDROSSIAN**, senior fullback and team captain, is all-around ace in Cornell bid to retain EIL grid title.



**STAN INTIHAR**, 6-foot-4 Cornell end, drew raves as soph in last campaign.

**BRUCE BRENNER**, other Big Red flanker (right), is adept pass receiver.



**LOU TURNER**, Big Green captain, ground out 560-yard gain last Fall.



**BILL BEAGLE**, Dartmouth field general, pitched 10 tallies on 39 hits out of 77.



**THORNE SHUGART**, shifted from guard to tackle, leads Yale line.



**JOHN HENN**, center and capable line-backer, is captain of Tiger eleven.



**ROYCE FLIPPIN**, Tiger tailback, was among '53 US total offense leaders.

**JIM LOPEZ**, who passed for 4 Eli td's and rushed 111 yards, shifts to half.



**PHIL MATHIAS**, Yale's top ground-gainer, averaged 33 yards on punts.



**DICK EMERY**, star pitcher on diamond, is also top Princeton air artist.







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# East

## IT'S ARMY AND CORNELL AGAIN WITH YALE SOPHS IVY DARK HORSE

### PREDICTIONS

#### Ivy League

1. Cornell
2. Yale
3. Princeton
4. Brown
5. Dartmouth
6. Columbia
7. Harvard
- \* Penn

\*Plays only two Ivy games.

#### Yankee Conference

1. New Hampshire
2. Rhode Island
3. Connecticut
4. Maine
5. Massachusetts
6. Vermont

#### Little Three

1. Amherst
2. Williams
3. Wesleyan

#### Independents

1. Army
2. Penn State
3. Navy
4. Boston College
5. Holy Cross
6. Colgate
7. Syracuse
8. Boston Univ.
9. Fordham
10. Villanova
11. Delaware
12. Lafayette
13. Temple
14. Rutgers
15. Bucknell
16. Lehigh

#### OTHER INDEPENDENTS FOLLOW

**F**OOTBALL in 1954 will be played the way it was played in 1953, thank goodness. And the teams that played the game best in the East are quite likely to continue on top, meaning Army in that amorphous group known as the Eastern Intercollegiate Football Association under the commissionership of Asa Bushnell, Cornell in the organized yet unofficial Ivy League, New Hampshire in the Yankee Conference (the state universities of New England) and Delaware in the so-called Middle Six Conference.

No major rules changes were effected for 1954; the big change a year ago which brought back two-way football, the whole player and even the 60-minute player proved an unqualified success from the viewpoint of player and spectator, if not all the coaches.

There was no evidence visible to the average spectator or even the expert of a decrease in caliber of play; nor were there dragged-out games between tired players. With twelve changes in personnel possible under the substitution rule (with its four-minute time segment at the end of the second and fourth quarters), it was still possi-

ble to get many players in and out of the game, though not always the one a coach wanted.

Of 45 colleges previewed here, more than half have no Spring practice. This includes the entire Ivy League (which started the move two years ago), some of the larger independents and many of the small colleges.

With the influential Ivy Group withdrawing into almost a closed circuit (in 1956 the league will operate on a round-robin basis), a new league may weld Penn State, Colgate, Syracuse, Fordham, Boston College, Holy Cross, Villanova and Boston University. The idea has been planted.

In the hazardous coaching profession, only one change was made. As a result of a campus conflict involving personalities and policy at Pennsylvania, George Munger stuck to his year-old decision to quit after a 16-year stewardship. Steve Sebo succeeded him.

As for systems of play, the Split T succeeded the T at some colleges, and at others Split T plays like the belly series are being incorporated into Straight T offenses.

Army, an unexpected winner of the East's mythical title, will be tough to dislodge, though Red Blaik's Cadets suffered a severe blow when an eye operation probably ended the gridiron career of Bob Farris, their captain and a brilliant offensive tackle and line-backer. Farris could be the difference. But with three parts of his backfield intact and some notable holdovers on the line, Blaik is in a strong position to defend, though his squad depth isn't top-drawer. Rip Engle's Penn State team has depth and is loaded with veterans everywhere except at quarterback. The Nittany Lions loom as the formidable challenger.

Cornell, which also came to its Ivy title unexpectedly because it relied on sophomore backs and ends, now is favorite to repeat. Yale, getting strong replacements from sophomores, is rated the leading challenger.

New Hampshire, defending its share of the Yankee Conference title, also is packed with veterans, particularly in the line, while Delaware, in the Middle Six, has its team virtually intact, too.

### IVY LEAGUE

**CORNELL**—With sophomore backs and ends, Big Red unexpectedly charged into unofficial Ivy

**JIM CASTLE**, Penn end and captain, is defensive ace of strong wing squad.

**WALT HYNOSKI**, Quaker left half, is lone hold-over back for new pilot.



**TIM ANDERSON**, Harvard captain, gave Yale rough time last year.

**BOB COWLES** is most experienced hand in Harvard backfield rebuilding.



League title ahead of schedule last year and even tied Penn, whose league status was in doubt because it played only one Ivy foe. Overall record of 4-3-2, however, leaves Cornellians and Lefty James plenty of room for improvement while defending league honors.

General improvement in passing, defense and speed is indicated, so James foresees encouraging outlook with more experienced team, provided he can find the right replacements for three graduates at center, right guard and right tackle. With eight regulars among 15 lettermen, not much rebuilding is needed.

With only one of five starting backs gone, James rejoices in colorful quartet, consisting of quarterback Billy DeGraaf, halfbacks Dick Meade and Dick Jackson, all juniors, and fullback Guy Bedrossian. Unless DeGraaf raises his poor passing average, Ithacans will concentrate on ground game with fast, strong runners in balanced-line T offense adorned with QB options and Single-Wing blocking.

Ambitious sophomores can't see much hope of cracking into this backfield, nevertheless there is another fine crop of new backs coming up. Two of them, Art Boland and Cyrus Benson, are under 160 but shifty and faster than Meade and Jackson.

Quarterback Art Sosenko is reputedly an excellent passer. Fullback Steve Miles, 205, rated a tremendous line-backer while halfback Jim Suiter, 195, has drive.

Outstanding on line are Stan Intihar and Bruce Brenner, who last year drew raves as best sophomore ends Lefty ever had. Tackle Len Oniskey, and guard Jim Van Buren are other holdovers. Center Dennis Murphy lost first-string rating to converted-fullback Al Sebald last year, but is man to beat for snapperback role. Guard Ralph DeStefano and tackle Bill Purdy are newcomers up front who have to prove ability.

This should be Cornell's best in five years.

**YALE**—The mostest and the bestest of sophomores in the East, perhaps in the country, are gathered under the Elms at New Haven. Of 68 varsity candidates, 42 move up from a freshman bunch that was unbeaten.

With the bromidic warning that no soph is to be trusted until he has proved himself under varsity fire, Jordan Olivar starts his third year with a 12-4-2 record and a warm glow when he eyes his sophomore horde. All around the Ivy circuit, they say watch out for the Blue. The sophomores can make Yale a title contender.

Though 19 lettermen, including six backs, are gone, chief losses were limited to two fine tackles and a guard. Yale, however, can start almost an entire upper-class line with such established regulars as tackles Phil Tarasovic and Capt. Thorne Shugart (converted from guard), center Jim Doughan and end Roger Hansen, plus seasoned reserves like tackle Bob Gallaway, guards Bill Hawkins and John Phillips, center Jim Coker. They will have to steady the newcomers.

Leftovers in the riddled backfield are quarterback Jim Lopez, who carried the burden when Eddie Molloy was hurt in pre-season and may now become a halfback in the new setup, fullbacks Connie Corelli and Phil Mathias and halfback Jim Armstrong.

**DICK CARR**, Columbia quarterback, played every minute of 9 games in '53.

**NEIL OPDYKE**, Columbia captain, is slated for heavy duty as Lion guard.





The sophomore backs are most important because that's where most help is needed. They include Dean Loucks, 6-1, 190, who has quarterbacked four unbeaten teams in a row, including three at White Plains, N. Y., for his coaching father; Don Griffith, who was the No. 1 schoolboy in West Virginia; and towering Charley Peet, all vying for the QB berth. Halfbacks with real speed are Dennis McGill, Al Ward and Joe Mark, while the fullback is Steve Ackerman, 6-0, 200, who scored six touchdowns for the freshmen.

Putting pressure on the varsity incumbents and providing welcome depth are such resplendent sophs as ends Vern Loucks (no relation to Dean); 6-4, 207, Paul Lopata, 6-2, 194, who scored touchdowns in all six freshmen games; and Fred Laux, 6-2, 200; tackles Bide Thomas, 6-2, 200, and Wayne Moeller, 6-2, 210; guard Remie Smith, 195, and centers John Owseichik, 6-3, 205, and Dick Money-maker, 6-4, 200.

Physically, a remarkable imposing lot, and, many believe, with football ability to match.

**PRINCETON**—The Single-Wing buck-lateral Tigers see no marked change in their fortunes for 1954. They are in a slump for them. After winning the Big Three title six straight years and roaring through a four-year stretch in which they lost only two games, Charley Caldwell's men sagged defensively and stumbled offensively into a 5-4 record, but kept one-third share of Big Three title. With 14 of 29 lettermen remaining, they do not shape up as a solid team, and not much is coming up from last year's freshman squad to fortify weak spots.

Losses were extensive, including outstanding fullback Homer Smith, most of the ends, leading quarterbacks and best wingback. In addition Peter Van Gytenbeek, 6-3, 200, who would have been the only experienced senior end, announced he was quitting football, and top guard aspirant, Don Cunard, is on ragged edge scholastically.

Tigers hope to keep their heads above .500 level again with three-deep seasoned tailback crew, who carry brunt of Caldwell attack—passing, running and punting. They are junior Royce Flippin, senior Dick Frye and senior Dick Emery. Last named

couldn't stick at quarterback, but may find niche as tailback for clutch passing which brought last-minute victories over Harvard, Rutgers and Columbia last year.

Dick Martin, who understudied 60-minute Smith, gets chance at fullback, while reserves Franklin Agnew and Bob Russell battle for wingback berth. To solve continuing quarterback problem, Caldwell is converting fullback Frank Cosentino. Depth is lacking; there are few backs among sophomores.

With end squad virtually wiped out and few good prospects coming up, Caldwell pins hopes on Joe DiRenzo, 200-pound junior, and Don MacElwee, best of sophomores. Interior line will be capable, with tackles Peter Milano and Wendell Inhoffer, guards Cunard and Dick Herbruck, center John Henn, solid linebacker. Sophomore guard Charles Sharp will help.

**BROWN**—For one reason and another, Alva Kelley did not have anywhere near the powerhouse the rest of the Ivy League erroneously believed the Bruins would be last year. At that, the coach made progress from previous low years with 3-5-1 record.

With 20 lettermen, eight of them holdover regulars, Kelley notes, "We look for slight improvement again if luck is with us. The line shapes up somewhat stronger than backfield. We expect no help from our 1953 freshmen, and we will be shorthanded in backfield again. Lack of depth here could be dangerous to us."

The backs Kelley is depending on to carry the burden with scant relief are quarterback Pete Kohut, two-year veteran who is small and an inconsistent passer, halfbacks T. D. (Tommy) Thompson, a tremendous scorer as a freshman two years ago but hampered by injury last year, and Dave Zucconi, plus Ev Pearson, shifted from half to fullback. None of the backs goes above 175. They lack height. Qualified reserves are scarce.

Losses from the line were few, and the situation here as to size is better. There is ample experience from tackle to tackle. Center is two-year veteran Charley Brown, flanked by guards Bill Harris and Jim McGuinness and tackles Bill Klaess and Howie



**TOMMY BELL**, Army half, enhances air game with constant threat on ground.

**BOB FARRIS**, Cadet capt., may be lost to Army due to delicate eye surgery.



**LENNY MOORE** averaged 5.6 yards in gaining 601 yards as Penn State back.

**DON BALTHASER**, Penn St. center and co-captain, is power in mighty line.





HUGH WEBSTER moves back from tackle to guard as Middie coach Eddie Erdelatz starts line rebuilding job.

FRANK MORZE, 6'-4" PHIL MONAHAN is set tackle, is standout on powerful Eagles line. to take over fullback post for Navy if knee holds up.



JOHN MILLER, 220-pounder, holds down other tackle post on potentially great Boston College forward wall.



Borjeson. Kelley had end trouble last year and will have it again. Lester Peavey, converted from center, fills one wing spot and a returning service man, Bianowicz, is expected to help. Tackles and guards give Brown its strength.

**DARTMOUTH**—Despite a crop of sophomores who were esteemed as their best in years, the Hanover Indians had to settle for another 2-7 record and find nourishment in injury-plagued season from two resounding upsets over Yale and Princeton last year. With four losing years behind him, De-Ormond (Tuss) McLaughry isn't out of the woods yet. Those 1953 sophomores have matured, but the Green lost its whole starting line, end to end, and all its varsity fullbacks.

When Bill Beagle and chunky Leo McKenna, alternating sophomore quarterbacks, got hot in the last half of season, their touchdown strikes stunned two victims. The Indians will start with a couple of good quarterbacks for a change, and they will be supported by able halfbacks in Lou Turner, leading ground-gainer last year, Francis Krol, Bernie Fulton and Bob Spencer. Tuss is looking hard at his squad for fullbacks, though.

He is searching, too, for centers and other line-men. Among the leading reserves likely to move up are the Klapper twins, Stu and Stan, and Bob Bagdasarian at the guards; Jerry Samuelson, Dick Hopkins and John Koehring at tackle, Frank Simms at center and Jon Anderson, Don Marriott, Dick Flagg and Don Gray at end. The ends shape up as a good lot, though they are stepping into the shoes of Dave Thielscher and Dave McLaughlin, who were an outstanding pair.

**COLUMBIA**—It would be nice, as everyone in football will agree, if Lou Little, dean of East coaches, came up with something special to celebrate his silver anniversary on Morningside Heights, where, in 1930, he "did not come to fail." It's pretty unanimous that he hasn't, that he gets the most out of a squad that's never loaded.

The Lions had a good line, weak backs last year. This year the backfield is stronger, the line appreciably weaker. Columbians had to be Iron Lions last year. Eight were 400-minute-men, another almost played that much, and of these six are gone. So there aren't many who had more than a taste of varsity action on Little's squad.

For a change, Little is getting more help from sophomores than he has received in years. Quarterback Dick Carr won't have to play nine games without a moment's relief as he did in 1953. Sophomore Claude Benham is qualified to spell Carr, and Charlie Nations also is available. Sophomore Art Wilson, a six-footer who is the fastest back, provides needed height and will take over at left half, aided by Alex Giampietro. This will permit little Bob Mercier, 5-6, 155, to share right half assignment with Ken Priore. Mike Lacopo, 185, a good punter and runner, and Paul Dick from Hawaii, who played no freshman ball, are the top sophomore candidates at fullback where Coach



Little had to operate with a converted guard.

Seasoned linemen are tackle Berf Hoffman, guards Fred Bucci and Neil Opdyke and center John Nelson. Only George Seitz of five returning ends played as much as 100 minutes. Other reserves include tackles Jack Armstrong and Al Ginepra, guards Bob Dillingham and Don Nunziato. Sophomores who will be useful are tackles Paul Tremblay, 205, who was best freshman lineman, John Kollar and Ralph Brunori; guards Frank Corral, converted from center, and Lou Mooradian. Dale Granger, who was needed for fullback insurance, goes back to center.

**HARVARD**—It took white-haired Lloyd Jordan four years to re-kindle the Crimson's competitive fire and patiently rebuild team strength to a 6-2 record, a long-awaited victory over Yale and a share of the Big Three title.

Now Jordan starts pretty much from scratch again, with only a pair of guards and a wingback remaining of his starting eleven. Among 17 lettermen, however, are ten who had considerable game experience.

But backs like triple-threat Dick Clasby and fullback John Culver, who dominated Jordan's Single-Wing attack for three years, aren't readily replaced at Cambridge. Wingback Bob Cowles will be the most experienced hand in new backfield that has quarterback Jerry Marsh, tailback Joe Conzelman and fullback Bill Vollmer. The last three carried ball total of four times last year. Conzelman was quarterback sub.

Holdover guards are Tim Anderson and Bill Meigs, who manhandled Yale opposition and who figure to be authentic standouts on line which will be manned elsewhere by such reserves as ends Joe Ross and George Clark and center Jan Meyer. Juniors Orville Tice and John Maher, non-combatants last year, appear to have first call at tackles.

Sophomore contenders include backs Tony Gianelly, Leo Daley and Paul Abrahamian and guard Ted Metropoulos. End Philip Weber returns from service to help depleted squad.

Finding a skilled tailback, who preferably should run, pass and punt in Single-Wing, and ends, too, has Jordan's top priority. He calls the material average, with a mite less speed in new backfield. Sophomores will provide some depth but do not figure in starting lineup.

**PENN**—The big campus revolution in the Red and Blue's long gridiron history starts taking effect this Fall. George Munger, whose 16-year stewardship was the longest on Franklin Field, has been succeeded by Steve Sebo. Long the citadel of Single-Wing offense, even though they mixed in some T in recent years, the Quakers become a basic T team under Sebo, with single-wing and other formations to be expected from a Michigan State disciple. Only Paul Riblett, tutor of ends, remains of Munger's old staff.

Other changes ordered in administrative sweep

of football policy will take longer to materialize. Sebo inherits the same rugged schedule which threw Munger for a 3-5-1 loss (his only season under .500). But Penn has been embraced as a full brother in the Ivy League, though the full impact won't show up in schedule for two years. Sebo inherits 13 lettermen, but the squad doesn't include many of what used to be known as Penn-type linemen to envious Ivy brethren. Sebo may like 'em smaller and niftier and faster.

Penn is no better fortified to handle its schedule than it was in 1953.

Walt Hynoski is the lone holdover backfield regular, and he was merely one of three rotating tailbacks (left half). With added confidence, he may have big year. The new deal promotes two jayvees, quarterback Jim Manley and fullback Leon Hardy, to first-string over reserves Jim Kopenhaver and Stan Chaplin, if Sebo's tentative plans work out. Gary Scott, part-time regular, and sophomore Neil Hyland are battling for right half. Missing, after three years as a standout, is fullback Joe Varaitis.

The line is strongest at end, where Jim Castle, defensive bulwark, and John Lavin operate. George Trautman, rugged line-backer, remains at center. Tackles are John Gurski, a regular, and Dick Pomygalski, a reserve. Guards are new—Jim Shada, shifted from center, and Mark Levitan, two-year letter winner beset by many injuries last year.

Sophomores to watch include quarterback Bill Banker, who may be pressed into starting duty, ready or not, center Bernie Rohrbacker, end Charley Gill and tackle Phil Assmus.

## INDEPENDENTS

**ARMY**—Earl Blaik's Black Knights bounded back a long way and with astonishing vigor to win the East's mythical championship with a fine 7-1-1 record that included their first victory over Navy in four years.

Normally this would be strong evidence that the Cadets had arrived and expected to stay on top. Though he has six regulars and four other lettermen, Blaik, in his 14th year as West Point coach, manages a pessimistic view of the immediate future. He has good cause, in some respects, to be gloomy. Bob Farris, captain-elect after his yearling season, who was one of the great inspirational forces in Army's resurgence with his dynamic play as offensive tackle and line-backer, may have played his last game. A delicate eye operation for a detached retina last Winter took him off the gridiron roster and it's doubtful West Point medical authorities will approve his return to football. A top-ranking cadet, his military career must be the first consideration. Mike Zeigler, potentially the sharpest runner as a sophomore, also may have played his last game owing to a back injury.

These are serious setbacks to a squad Blaik deems deficient in top-drawer material. He has, however, some formidable resources, mainly three



**GERRY O'LEARY** looms top Holy Cross fullback after missing '53 campaign.



**LOU HETTINGER, H. C.** captain, is powerful and elusive Crusader halfback.

parts of his backfield with quarterback Pete Vann, who attained stardom last year with his ball-handling direction of the T offense and his effective passing; right half Tommy Bell, solid, driving runner; and big Pat Uebel, who scored all three touchdowns against Navy from left half and now shifts to fullback. There he will have to learn line-backing duties as well. Sophomore Bob Kysky installed at left half, adds speed which was lacking. He's also a superior punter.

Proved operators on the line are guard Ralph Chesnauskas, a powerhouse both ways and good at kicking extra points, and tackles Ron Melnik, team's heaviest at 215, and Howie Glock, who alternated in same position last year, also Don Hollender, active reserve end who caught 15 passes. Blaik must fill in with sophomores and is never happy about it.

Yearlings who will start are end Art Johnson, guard Dick Fadel and center Dick Stephenson, 18-year-old rawboned Texan.

Blaik has no one who ever played varsity center or backed up a line. But there's faith in the Blaik brand of coaching. His reserve tackles will be sophomores, the aptly named Flay Goodwin and Dave Saul. End reserves will be converted center and quarterback. New backs for reserve duty are Bill Cody, Bill Shepherd, Pete Lash, Joe Cygler, Frank Burd and Fred Knieriem.

**PENN STATE**—Despite another formidable schedule, the Nittany Lions view Rip Engle's fifth year with unusually high hopes, provided he can lick his quarterback problem. Graduation of Tony Rados, who revised all the passing records at State College while leading team to 13-5-1 record in last two years, is only damaging loss among seven lettermen. The 18 lettermen left provide exceptional holdover strength in all other positions, so that half a dozen able sophomores will find it difficult to crack varsity lineup.

If Don Bailey, able punter, who was converted from halfback to understudy Rados, takes charge with aid from Bobby Hoffman and they prove capable of handling passing chores, the outlook is bright. The squad is two-deep in experienced operators otherwise.

Lenny Moore, top ground-gainer with 601 yards as sophomore, plus his punt-returning ability, is ace of backfield which has halfbacks Buddy Rowell, Ron Younker and Bobby Allen and fullbacks Bill Straub and Charlie Blockson. Engle figures to exploit running game more fully.

Jim Garrity, the East's No. 1 pass receiver (30), who also kicked 17 of 19 extra points, leads a potent end squad which has Jack Sherry, Jesse Arnelle and Bob Rohland. Other prospective starters in big, powerful line include tackles Roosevelt Grier, 245, and Gene Danser, 215; guards Sam Green, 215, and Earl Shumaker or Keith Horn, and centers Don Balthaser or Frank Reich. Keen competition among candidates will fortify team as a whole.

There aren't many gaps which sophomores can fill. Nevertheless quarterback's Milt Plum and Bill Colangelo, halfbacks Billy Kane and Ray Alberigi, tackle Clint Law and guard Sam Valentine are above-average for newcomers.

**NAVY**—The Midshipmen have their backfield intact, though revamped, but only two holdovers from their first-string line, one of them shifted to a new position. Of 15 lettermen, nine are backs.

Whether or not their 1953 prospects were accurately evaluated, the Sailors failed to measure up as top Eastern power, winding up with a 4-3-2 season. This included their first defeat by Army in four years. Any time that happens, Navy figures to rebuild. As Ivy League sets up closed-circuit round-robin, Navy schedule gets tougher again. The Middies had their biggest success romping over three early Ivy rivals by aggregate count of 146 to 20.

Eddie Erdelatz has plenty of experienced backs, including alternating quarterbacks George Welsh and John Weaver, halfbacks Bob Hepworth, Bob Craig, Jack Garrow and Phil Monahan and low-slung fullback Joe Gattuso.

But Erdelatz isn't satisfied with attack which bogged down against strong opposition in mid-season. Monahan, 192, shifted from right half to fullback in spring drills and almost immediately suffered serious knee injury which necessitated surgery. Medical opinion is that he will be sound again. If he is, Gattuso, regular fullback, may drop way down behind Monahan, Dick Guest and sophomore Jim Hower.

Craig, swift junior from California, is most improved back. He is promoted to right half. Welsh, best QB Erdelatz has had at Annapolis, should pick up as junior director of Split T and T offense.

End Ron Beagle is lone regular retaining berth. Tackle Hugh Webster returns to original guard post. Re-forming line which yielded no more than a touchdown to any 1953 rival except Notre Dame and Army is Erdelatz's prime concern. John Hopkins shifts from end to tackle and will pair with Jim Royer, from jayvees. Alex Aronis, guard, is two-year lettered reserve. Center Bob Davis and end Jim Owen are newcomers. Few Middies scale over 200.

Sophomores don't loom prominently in plans, which suggests lack of depth, chiefly in line. Only six likely to make traveling squad.

**BOSTON COLLEGE**—The Eagles, always poised for take-off but dragged down by Southern oppo-



sition, nevertheless were airborne at end of last season and put Mike Holovak on alkaline side in his third year with 5-3-1 record. Voted by writers No. 1 in New England, this could be Eagles' best team since 1942 Orange Bowl outfit.

Foundation for success is still the unbeaten 1952 freshmen who were seasoned as sophomores and now provide bulk of 24 lettermen on junior-dominated squad. The big, mobile line shapes up as B.C.'s best in a dozen years and is powerful, end to end, with tremendous tackle pair in versatile senior Frank Morze, 6-4, 235, and John Miller, 220. Alvin St. Pierre is ticketed as outstanding guard. Senior ends are Tom Izbicki and Frank Marr. Other prospective starters are center Cliff Poirier, whose progress permits Morze to concentrate on tackle duties, and guard Dick Myles.

Jimmy Kane, slow-footed but sure passer, will direct T attack for fourth year, with halfbacks Ed DeSilva, quick-opener specialist, and Paul Craig, 190, and fullback Emiddio Petrarca, 195, all juniors, rounding out backfield. Since Joe Johnson and Dick Zotti did bulk of ball-carrying last year, running backs are Holovak's top concern.

Brightest newcomer is fabulous Billy Donlan, Boston College H.S. quarterback, whose shuttling, as freshman, from Harvard to Holy Cross to B.C. within a month's time, kept the Hub sporting bloods in a tizzy. He becomes eligible in October to understudy Kane. One returning service man is Frank Cousineau, a 1949 end, who will now bolster already strong tackle department.

Outlook is bright enough so that alarmed Holovak cries, "Might win 'em all—or lose 'em all."

**HOLY CROSS**—More speculative than usual is the outlook on Mt. St. James. The Crusaders, following general Eastern trend, gave up Spring football. Of team that produced 5-5 record, 18 lettermen, half of them regulars, are gone. There are important question marks in key places. The ten-game schedule is one of Dr. Eddie Anderson's more difficult ones.

In consequence Dr. Eddie isn't sure whether he'll go with multiple offense of last year which consisted of T, Single Wing and Notre Dame Box behind unbalanced line, or will revert to Straight T, retaining unbalanced line novelty.

Important factors affecting outlook are sophomore quarterback, convalescent fullback and new tackles. Triple-threat Billy Smithers, schoolboy prodigy from Somerville, Mass., is expected to fill quarterback job, one of Purple's continuous problems of last year.

Full recovery of speedy fullback Gerry O'Leary, who broke leg in 1953 opener, is awaited, as he will be chief cog in shifting offenses. Larry Travers, on injured list most of last season, and Lou Hettinger, who closed year in top form, are leading halfbacks. Backs have speed.

Strength of new line will be at guard, manned by Bob Cooney and Jim Buonopane, small but able, who returns from Army service. Tackles are Bob Flacke, converted from guard, and Walt Strumski,

225, or Jack Cappeller, transfer from Indiana. Ends are Bob Dee and John Hurley, with Ed Stromski at center.

With five regulars among 13 lettermen, there's less experience than customary. "We'll lack depth," says Dr. Anderson, "for our last two freshman teams were below standard, so we can't expect much help from that source."

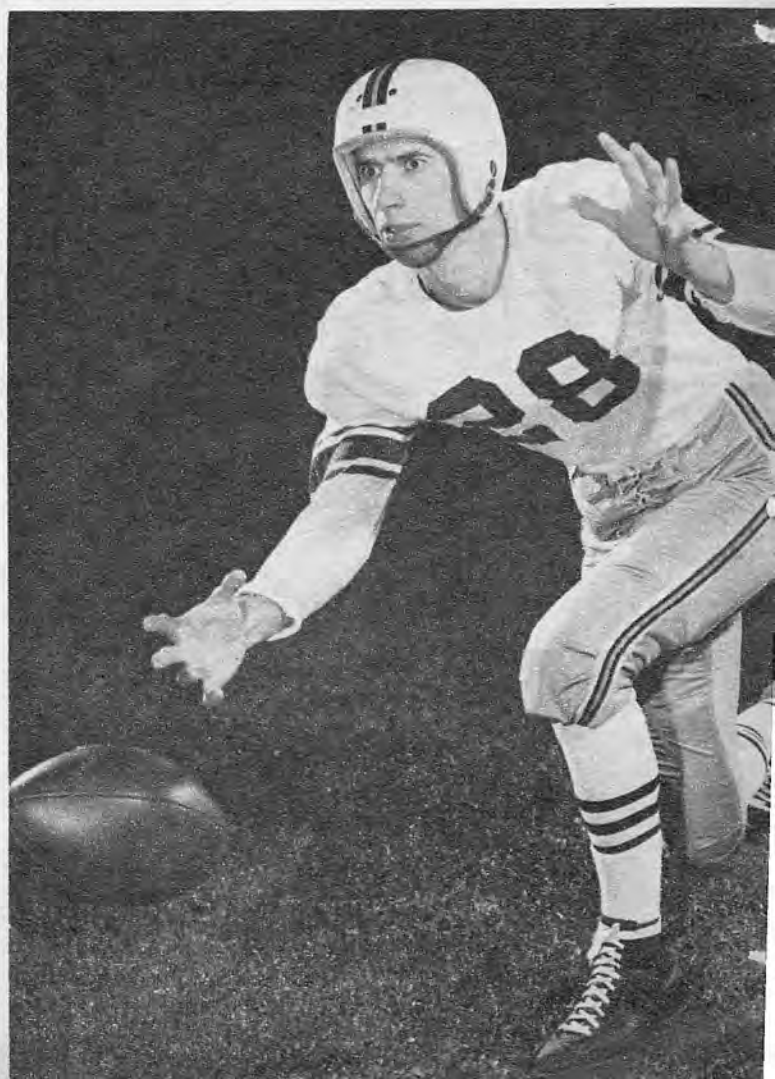
**COLGATE**—Hal Lahar, who launched his regime in the Chenango Valley by giving the Red Raiders their best mark (6-3) in a decade, dropped below .500 with 3-4-2 last year when he had to contend with all-major slate. He also ran into a streak of injuries so that he had 13 combinations of guards. With no Spring practice, his view is "very sketchy right now."

But Lahar starts with a three-year veteran quar-

**JOHN WILLIAMS**, converted end, packs power for Colgate at fullback.



**DICK LALLA**, Colgate captain, is outstanding ball-handler and passer.





PAUL SLICK, Syracuse center, is also deadly tackler as line-backer.



TOM GASTALL, major league catching prospect, calls plays for Boston



BILL WETZEL, Orange fullback, led in rushing in '52 before Korean service.

JOE TERRASI scored 11 touchdowns from halfback post for Terriers in '53.

terback, slender Dick Lalla, outstanding ball-handler and passer who learned to handle new defensive chore last year. John Williams, 200, who was converted from end last year, fills fullback role, and Frank Nardulli and Ted Vurbeff provide some experience at halfback spots.

Tackle Mike Morog and guard Don Tomanek are strong men of line which has other lettermen in center Bill Fackelman, tackle Charley Hatcher and end Fran Angeline. Newcomers are end Milton Graham and guard David Adams.

At quarterback, fullback, guard and tackle, Colgate is well-manned. More depth is required at halfback, ends and center for balanced unit.

For what it's worth, Colgate had by far the strongest freshman team in the upstate New York area. Quarterback Guy Martin could put pressure on Lalla to hold top ranking, for he's stronger defensively. Charley Garivaltis is a fast, clever halfback, Earl Asperger a driving fullback and James Yurak a solidly built guard prospect.

**SYRACUSE**—The Orangemen made a run at Eastern glory the last two years. They had their first bowl team in 1952, though they prefer to forget that nightmare in Miami. Though their record last year was only 5-3-1, they were, attests Ben Schwartzwalder, "the best team I ever coached." probably the best on Piety Hill in 20 years. It was 14 points away from an unbeaten year and retained the Central New York title.

In his sixth year, Schwartzwalder sees a turn for the worse, owing to the departure of nine regulars, including the East's biggest line which generally overpowered the opposition up front by

sheer strength and bulk. His problems are multiple. His quarterbacking, passing, punting and linebacking figure to be weaker, his line inexperienced and markedly smaller.

On top of all this, Syracuse gave up Spring practice for the first time—and at the wrong time considering the necessity of surveying who's who among sophomores who will provide most of reserve strength.

Principal resources remaining are fullback Bill Wetzel, whose career was interrupted by two years in Korea and then by a broken leg in the fourth minute of last year's opener; center Paul Slick, who understudied ace Ted Kukowski; halfback Ray Perkins, who returns from his emergency service at end; and end Pete Schwert, 6-4, 210.

Micky Rich, a senior who never got to play much behind Pat Stark and Bruce Yancey, moves in at quarterback. Sam Alexander is rated a good left half. Don Laaksonen, who filled in for injured Wetzel, sophomores Jim Brown, Ed Ackley and Ronnie Tyler are other backs.

Reserves moving up on the line are end Tommy Richardson, tackles Paul Kernaklian and Joe Capadona, guards Cal Smith and Mike Skop. The line average is reduced about 30 pounds.

Sophomores to watch are guards Ralph Farmer and Joe Krivak, tackles Mike Minko and Jerry Cashman and end Jim Ridlon. One or more may supplant upper-classmen on line.

**BOSTON UNIVERSITY**—Center Frank Giuliano is the only holdover in an otherwise brand-new line which Buff Donelli, without benefit of Spring practice for the first time, must develop. Among



19 lettermen, however, Terriers have at least three players with reserve experience at end, tackle and guard.

If new line can approach ability of outgoing forwards, B.U. will have quality and quantity among its backs to maintain heavy ground attack (220.7 yards per game) which featured Winged Split T offense in the post-Agganis era. Quarterback Tom Gastall, who had been converted from end, has had a year of experience and figures to improve on his poor passing record which forced team to run. Husky sophomore Charlie Fiorina will understudy Gastall along with southpaw Tom Lerario.

Ace of backfield again should be Joe Terrasi, best all-around man though only 155, who led in scoring, pass-receiving, punt-returns and interceptions. Fullback Sam Pino, ex-Marine who spelled Lou Petroka, shapes up as improved player. Other seasoned backs are Norm Chadwick, George Scullane, Ken Hagerstrom, Bob Sylvia and Bill Taylor. Sophomores Jim Anderson, Joe Versharen, Frank Dickey and Frank Chiera will have to show something above par to break in.

Giuliano has lettermen Frank Abbruzzese for relief. End department figures to be good with John Bredice and Cy Pollack, former backs. Guards Dick McNally and Bill Johnson, tackle Frank Breker move up from reserves. Tackle Erin Fox, 235, returns from the Marines to fill gap in line, while sophomores aiming for regular spots are guard Lou Lovely, tackle Larry Sobak, ends Tucker Walsh and Walt Raczkowski.

Director of Athletics Donelli is pleased to offer Coach Donelli all-East schedule for a change, with four New England foes to boost Braves Field attendance.

**FORDHAM**—The Rams' attempt to haul themselves above the .500 mark for the first time in three years will be hampered by a lack of experience. Eleven lettermen include only three regulars; squad is smaller than usual and deficient in bruising tackles and swift ball-carriers. The schedule is made no easier by addition of Marquette and West Virginia. Furthermore, the Maroon will play four of its first five games on alien gridirons.

A pass-crazy era on Rose Hill comes to a close with the graduation of Roger Franz. Only sophomore ticketed for starting lineup is his quarterback successor, Dick Broderick, who starred for freshmen and demonstrated ability to take over in Spring drills. His support comes from senior halfbacks Andy Romeo, 200, and shifty, hard-running Joe Palmieri, and junior fullback Dick Ruth, who had virtually no varsity seasoning.

Line losses also were heavy for Ed Danowski, who has survived recurrent alarums and is now entering ninth year as coach. He has shifted end Neil McDevitt, 6-3, 208, to tackle, where Rams need help. He'll be one of strong points on line, together with end Andy Nacrelli, 195, whose 29 catches were only two from East leadership in pass receiving, and guard Dick Algatt, captain. Reserves moving up are end Jim Fay, tackle Bob

Randzio, squad guard Dick Weil and center Jim O'Brien.

"May be a fair season if we avoid injuries," says Danowski. "This is one of our thinnest teams in years."

**VILLANOVA**—The Wildcats have a sophomore-dominated squad, a 4-6 record behind them, a season of experiment ahead and a schedule attractive to travel agents, with four South foes. Selling cut-rate tickets to sponsoring chain-store grocers, an attendance-boosting gimmick last year, evidently was no solution.

In the circumstances Art Raimo decided to make the switch to Split T after the men on the Main Line had been playing it straight for a decade. The coach and his aides were guests of Jim Tatum, Split T merchant at Maryland, in the Spring.

Raimo had missed undefeated seasons in the 1951-52 platoon years by running out of gas in late November. In the change-over to two-way football, the Wildcats had their slump at the outset. Now Raimo is less optimistic owing to loss of seven regulars, who may become eight if injured end Don McComb fails to get medical clearance.

Four sophomores figure to jump into lineup. They are quarterback John Ferruolo, guard Ron Woods, halfback John Bauer, 6-2, 195 successor to outstanding Gene Filipski, and end Van Injaian, 200.

Holdover stars are Nelson Marshall, who clicked as sophomore center last year on offense and as linebacker; halfback John Giordano, big and fast, who understudied Ralph Cecere; tackle Joe Leichtweis, 225; and fullback Jack Helm, 205, who moved up to first-string in late season.

Other places will be filled by reserves, among them end Mike Mayock, 6-3, 205; tackle Dan Hurley and guard Mike Potenza. Team appears adequately manned at guard, end and fullback, not so deep at tackle and quarterback.

**DELAWARE**—One game away from a perfect season, unbeaten in winning first championship of so-called Middle Six Conference and eyed by a couple of lesser bowl promoters, the Blue Hens may hatch an unbeaten team. Bowl scouts may have better luck enticing Delaware this year.

As a nucleus, Dave Nelson has ten of his starting eleven, including an intact backfield of Little All-America quarterback Don Miller (12 TD passes), breakaway halfbacks Jimmy Flynn and Jimmy

**JOE PALMIERI**, Fordham halfback, figures to be hard man to pin down when in open field.



Zaiser and fullback Dan Ford, captain. All passed in a high-scoring attack which rolled up 201 points.

Ends Tom Redfield and Marty Apostolico and center Frank Gyetvan steady a veteran line which limited enemy to 80 points.

Reserve ends and backs are required for depth. Sophomore Ray Ejzak, shifted from guard, may help backfield. Two transfers now eligible are Jimmy Quinn, center from Penn, and Ken McElroy, end from Ohio State. Pressing first-team veterans will be candidates from strong freshman team.

Rest of line may have tackles Steve Butcher and sophomore Jerry Weis, guards sophomore Curtis Combs, a punter, and Bob Trivits. Sophomore Bart Wenrich, another excellent passer, will understudy Miller.

**LAFAYETTE**—From a win-less debut with the Leopards in 1952, patient rebuilders Steve Hokuf earned reward of a 5-4 record, Lafayette's first winning season in five years. Two games were lost by a point, a third by a touchdown.

Further encouraging progress toward all-winning campaign is now possible if reserves develop. The Leopards do not step out of their class, they have 16 lettermen in a good-looking squad, more experience and confidence in their Split T and T offense, most of the backs who led Eastern Intercollegiate Football Association in rushing (270.6 yards average), and a more formidable line.

Though running will be their forte again, Hokuf hopes better passing and deception will sharpen attack.

Quarterback George Bartlett, halfbacks Bryan Satterlee, breakaway runner, and Norm Dion and fullback Dan McCarthy, all of whom clicked last year as sophomores in setting Leopards on winning track, comprise the backfield. They have support from Don Raymond, shifted from half to quarterback, hefty juniors Don Sayenga and Charles Kozicheck and sophomore Dan Coon.

Built around Russ Hedden, solid center and captain, the line has big, strong tackles in Bob Fyvie, 6-5, 225, and Jack Elberti, and more veterans elsewhere, including guards Dick Flood, Tom Kennedy and Fred Kaiser, and ends Tom McGrail, Jack Burcin, Dick Reichenbach and Jerry Spacek. Tough spot for sophomores trying to crash into top two elevens.

**TEMPLE**—Al Kawal is switching from the T to the Split T and intends to open up attack. Most of 12 lettermen, including six regulars, provide Owls with veteran backfield material. Among them are Tex Robinson, their best halfback in years, Ken Stout and fullback Jack Charters, their leading scorers, who will be directed by senior quarterback Gus Braccia. Fullback Ed Kozlowski has returned from Army service. Other backs of merit include sophomores Ron Simone, Neil Rosen and Jed Lankitus.

Weak in tackles and ends, particularly on flanks, where he lost his four top hands, Kawal plans sev-

eral shifts. Depth is lacking in line, but guard Larry Cardonick and tackle Duke Ponis, though comparatively light, are 60-minute players.

Other probable starters are ends Ben Hannum and Tom King, tackle John Rightus, guard Jim Cloney and center Leo Rutkoski.

Sophomores who may break into lineup are guard Nate Washington, end Bob Hudak, tackle Emrich Stellar and center Charlie Panella.

**RUTGERS**—Harvey Harman, one of the most outspoken in favor of the return to two-way football, hasn't lost his firm convictions though he had his first losing season (2-6) in 12 years on the Raritan.

"Experience of our 12 holdovers—five were starters, seven leading reserves—and help from our sophomores should bring marked improvement in quality," reports Scarlet coach. "Speed and performance in the line will be better. Our quarterback situation is still a problem, also our secondary defense. Some of our best backs are small."

He'll enlarge repertory of Split T, with dash of Winged T and Single-Wing.

With light losses, the backfield shapes up well. Angelo Iannucci, 190, is polished workhorse fullback, expert at controlled punting, good at run-backs and pass-catching, too. Left half Ron Mastrolia is only 150, but fast and shifty and can fill in at quarterback to relieve John Fennell. Sophomore Bill Gatyas may solve quarterback problem. Bob Kelley from jayvees may take over at right half, aided by sophomore Jack Laverty. Halfback Steve Johnson, leading scorer for two years, missed Spring drills (Rutgers gives these up next year) and is doubtful factor. Bob Redman adds to backfield depth.

By O'Hearn, 210, hampered by injuries last year, shifts from guard to fill troublesome center spot, with sophomore Art Robinson, converted from tackle, as top reserve. Guards are plentiful with Dick Hemmer, Bob Howard and Jim O'Brien returning, plus chunky sophomores Don Simone and Dick Murar. Marv Blumenstock, 225, is most experienced tackle. Jim Marco moves up from jayvees and Ev Drake is leading sophomore. Better end play possible from sophomore Don Felber, who was freshman quarterback; Ed Farrell and Paul Stitik, both newcomers. Turnout at spring practice larger than usual.

**BUCKNELL**—Harry Lawrence knew he was in for a fall after the "touchdown twins," Brad Myers and Burt Talmage, departed. But he didn't expect to drop all the way to a 1-8 record. Ineligibility of three backs who were expected to fill Myers-Talmage berths slowed the Bisons down. Shuttling John Chironna between backfield and line failed to halt losing streak.

As Thundering Herd regroup for new charge, it has five lettered backs to handle Split T operations, among them quarterback Ron Hendricks and understudy Bill Hollister, both towering juniors, halfback Bob Sierer and fullback Bob Ford.

Chironna, who will stay at guard, heads a group



of 10 lettermen on line. Four of them are ends—Jack Flurer, Bob Antkowiak, Rich Klaber and Ken Tashjy. Center Roy Gavert, guards Hank Popek and Jack Winebrenner and giant tackles Ron Lloyd and Marion Minker stiffen interior line.

Lawrence will rely on holdover while sophomore newcomers like Don Koppes and George Klauder, backs, Gregory Blyler, 260-pound tackle, and line-backer Henry Owen get varsity indoctrination. Some improvement is anticipated.

**LEHIGH**—Though Bill Leckonby, in his ninth year, may have nine seniors in starting lineup, the Engineers' chances of matching or bettering 4-5 mark will depend on sophomores. Twenty-six of them are on squad that numbers only eight lettermen.

"Looks like a rebuilding year for us," says coach. "We may be as strong as last year, but we have more ambitious schedule with Virginia, Brown and Rutgers added. We lost end Tom Gunn, who set pass-receiving record for us, yet we can come up with stronger passing. We have only one seasoned tackle in Barney Wiley, so we look forward to return of John Muhlfeld from the Marines."

Muhlfeld was a star on Lehigh's only unbeaten team in 1950.

Split-T quarterback Tom Gloede and center Jim O'Connell head strong points, while halfbacks Dave Walters and George O'Brien and versatile fullback Harry Stotz round out fast all-senior backfield which needs to develop punter. If Gene Murphy's shoulder stays sound he'll pair with Willard Hansen at guard.

Top candidates from numerous sophomores are ends Tom Faillace, probable regular, and Austin Short, son of Assistant Athletic Director; halfback Bob Naylor and fullback Joe Fauzio.

#### YANKEE CONFERENCE

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**—Clarence (Chief) Boston and his White Mountain Wildcats prepare to defend their half of Yankee Conference title with considerable resources.

With varsity lineup intact, except for departure of two tackles, and total of 26 lettermen, Boston has an experienced line that's at least two deep—unusual in this league—but all-veteran backfield requires assistance.

On line are ends Steve Mazur and Mal Kimball, tackles Hoss Verry and Wes Pietkiewicz, guards Paul Ashnault and Harvey Geoffrion, center Al Robichaud. Ashnault was All-Conference.

Behind them are able quarterback Billy Pappas, halfbacks Dick Gleason and Ziggy Zerpico and fullback Charlie Sowerby, a triple-threat power. Two fine sophomore additions to this array are back Ted Wright and guard Bill Gregorious, renowned as schoolboy player.

Except for Delaware, which swamped 'em, 48 to 0, Wildcats may have edge on all opposition and figure to match or better 6-2 record.

**RHODE ISLAND**—The Rams have won or shared the Yankee Conference title and have beaten Brown, a signal feat, in both years since Hal Kopp returned from Army officer duties. His two-year record of 13-3 puts an optimistic aura over Kingston campus, which expects Kopp to fill gaps left by three parts of his backfield and both ends.

They still have left half Pat Abbruzzi, 204, who rushed for more than 1,000 yards in each of two years, was team's leading scorer and a clutch passer who will be asked to shoulder additional aerial chores. They still have the biggest interior line Down East, and a strong one, with Dick Grann, 245, offensive center and defensive tackle, and Charlie Gibbons, 214, at guard as the standouts. Latter may wind up, if needed, at fullback where he was All-State as schoolboy.

"We'll have fairly good season if we can find someone to help Pat in backfield," notes Kopp.

Quarterback Frank DiPiro, halfback Ed DiSimone and fullback Chris Latos will try to help Pat. Helping Grann and Gibbons will be Bill Sheedy and Bob Taylor at end, guard Henry Brenner, plus good tackle prospects.

**CONNECTICUT**—With games against Yale, Boston U. and Holy Cross, UConnns have added another major foe while retaining four Yankee Conference



NELSON MARSHALL is Villanova center bidding for All-America acclaim.



RUSS HEDDEN, Lafayette captain, is mainstay of big and promising line.

JOHN GIORDANO, big and fast halfback, is being counted on heavily in Villanova's switch to Split-T.



tests. Tougher schedule, therefore, may balk Coach Bob Ingalls' quest for even break on season.

He's building attack around Bonaventure (Buddy) Amendola, senior 204-pound fullback and star punter, supported by halfback Frank Mirabello. John Cunningham, 210-pound tackle, co-captain with Amendola, will be standout on line, supported by guards Joe Modugno and Ray Booker.

Among other holdovers are backs Mike Sikora, Vince Casanova, Jim DiGiorno and Vince Milano, ends George Stanger and Ron Rymash and center Rob Roy.

Team figures strongest in halfbacks and tackles. Coaching concentration is on quarterbacks and ends.

**MAINE**—Hal Westerman's Black Bears (4-2-1 last year) are defending their Maine State title, which they won with a clean slate, while also looking to move up in Yankee Conference.

The outlook for this double goal is only fair as they concentrate on rebuilding backfield which lost its leading runner, Ed Bogdanovich.

Five regulars and nine other lettermen remain for schedule consisting of four Yankee Conference tests and three others in Maine State round-robin series. End Thurlow Cooper appears outstanding find among sophomore replacements.

**MASSACHUSETTS**—After drastic flop to 1-7 season in his second year, Charlie O'Rourke, former Boston College and Chicago Bears quarterback, figures there must be turn for better with eight regulars among 18 lettermen.

Fullback John Porter, big, rugged competitor and fast, is senior bulwark of backfield which has junior holdovers in quarterback Steve O'Brien and right half Harold Bowers, with sophomore Roger Barous at left half.

Weak defense of last year should be repaired by added experience of line—ends Frank McDermott and Vic Bissonnette, tackles Albert Gilmore and Lou Kirsch, guards Don McPhee and Don Master-son and center John McGowan. Tackle Jim Ruberti and end Dave Ingraham, sophomores, will vie for starting berths. Team is strongest at tackles and right half; guards and ends require more attention.

**VERMONT**—The Catamounts have been making steady progress since their winless year of 1951, arriving at an even break, a giddy perch for them. Vermont may no longer be the permanent cellar-dweller in the Yankee Conference. With only two conference games this year, however, the Green Mountain entry isn't eligible for Bean Pot Trophy.

Ed Donnelly's outlook is the best he's had, with seven of starting team remaining. But he lost both ends, center and tackle, and ends may be weak spot. However, the backfield is set with quarter-back Mike Semans, one of top small-college passers, halfbacks Ed Beck and Al McLam and fullback Ed Nemer.

Outstanding reinforcements from sophomores include tackle Paul Harrasamowicz, 6-5, 240, and guard Leroy Williams. Tackle Walt Johnson and guard Clem Forte, teammates since school days, are still together on line.

### LITTLE THREE

**AMHERST**—John McLaughry, son of Tuss, took his Lord Jeffs up into the Ivy League to upset his alma mater, Brown, in opener and then proceeded to wrap up undefeated season, marred slightly by fourth annual tie with Wesleyan. McLaughry and his Sabrinas stay in their own set this year, and they figure unusually strong again if quarterback successor can fill Tommy Knight's shoes.

McLaughry has most of other 1953 starting line-up with 21 lettermen in all. It's a senior-dominated squad which had unbeaten freshman and junior seasons. Top players are fullback Bob Kisiel, low-slung and rugged; swift halfback Bob Jedry; end Bill Duffy, 6-4, 200; and guards Vic Maccagnan and George Karch, who's pretty special in small-college circles. Robin Turner is other veteran halfback. Roger Morgan, senior, will move up as the new quarterback.

Other line veterans are end Willis McFarlane, center Abe Moses and tackles Frank Downey and Alex Marrack. That line, especially fortified at end, will make Lord Jeffs rough to handle. Sophomores who will help include quarterback George Mathewson, halfback Karl Asplundt, tackle Don Moores and center Bob King.

**WILLIAMS**—Len Watters usually goes along, year in, year out, on a fairly even keel as a winner. He had only a few seniors last year, so he starts with eight regulars among 19 lettermen for his Split T operations.

Ed Lauben heads strong end squad, and Timmy Hanan shines among able group of backs, including Fred Broderick, 197, workhorse right half, Charley Freeman, Dana Fearon and Sterling. Coaching problems include quarterback and lack of experience and depth at tackle.

List of likely starters also includes end Ramsey, tackles O'Brien and Gardella, guards Ames and Ladds, center Feltes and quarterback Ronnie Bratches. Best of sophomores are Gardella, guard Ryan, quarterback Appleford and halfback Smythe.

**WESLEYAN**—Cardinals had to break in new backfield last year and wound up at bottom of Little Three, though they tied champion Amherst for fourth straight year, and broke even on season. Now Norm Daniels has his backfield intact among 16 lettermen, but must rebuild line. Graduation of tackle Len Ullian and end Bob Bachman, both 205, left biggest gaps.

Holdover junior-senior backfield for T, Split T and Short-Punt formations includes quarterbacks Rick Francis, accurate long passer, and versatile Don Denault, a breakaway flyer; halfbacks Billy Gordon, 140-pound speedboy, Jake Congleton and



Hayes Baker and fullbacks Dick Saunderson and Ben DiIorio.

With two line regulars remaining, center Jim Young, guards Bruce Hale and Frank Avantaggio, tackle Dick McConnell and end Wally Carroll are likely starters. Ends Travis and Carrodi and guard Olson eye varsity berths.

#### OTHER INDEPENDENTS

**TRINITY**—Unusually extensive losses from team which won five of eight leave veteran Dan Jessee only three regulars and four other lettermen to combat strongest schedule he's had in his 23 years at Hartford.

Trinity is glad Charlie Sticka, 195-pound fullback, didn't transfer to Notre Dame in big fuss last year. As a sophomore he rushed for more than 900 yards. He will have green line, however, in front of him this time. "Green, but very enthusiastic, with potential," notes Jessee.

Quarterback Bob Alexander, with year's experience, figures to direct sharper passing attack. Ray Aramini at center bulwarks new line. Richard Nissi, who was sophomore fullback stalwart in 1950, returns from service to play halfback and add weight and speed to backfield. Sophomores moving in are guards Paul Cataldo and Ray Kisonas, tackle Gerald Channell, end Sam Ninness and halfback George Kelliher.

**ROCHESTER**—Elmer Burnham who switched from Big Ten to job on small-college level decade ago, may find his team growing in stature if increased enrollment of expanding university brings comparable football improvement. Meanwhile, however, UR maintains same schedule and has its ups and downs—a perfect record in 1952; 4-3 last year.

With nine regulars and 15 lettermen, Burnham reports, "Our first team should be as strong as last year's and we should have more depth."

Halfbacks Tom Gibbons and Dick Devereaux, who missed half of last season, and center Bruce McPherson are picked as stars. Other holdovers are ends Jack Healey and Bob Zappia, tackle Dick Muzdakakis, twin-brother guards, Tom and Bill Keller, and quarterback Jim Bulkley.

Sophomores ticketed for first-string are fullback Jim Nacarella and tackle Herman Falsetti, with tackle Ed Doane and back John Iverson leading candidates. Halfbacks and tackles are strongly manned, but there isn't equal support for ends and guards.

**BRANDEIS**—Five-year-old Brandeis has graduated its first senior class, so Benny Friedman now knows how it is to lose top personnel and start rebuilding. Six regulars departed, including both tackles, both guards and his big four-year fullback reliable.

"We'll be lucky to make a first down," quips former Michigan All-America quarterback, borrowing phrase from Frank Leahy, but adds, "Should show progress."

The Judges didn't lose all their players, however. They have good quarterback in Egan and sharp receiver in end Bill McKenna. Larry Sorin is a tackle newcomer who'll make varsity, and Gerry Callagy returns from service to fortify backfield. Line is weaker, schedule stronger. Prospective starters also include end Fusco, tackle Brodsky, guards Baldacci and Appel, center Barone, halfbacks Tyson and Kirkwood and fullback Bergel.

**HOFSTRA**—Best college team on Long Island, the Dutchmen, with a three-year record of 20-6-1 under Howdy Myers, have 14 lettermen, only three regulars gone and two men returning from service.

"We'll have to show a lot of hustle to offset limited personnel of a small school," says Myers.

Among those prepared to hustle are high-scoring fullback Bill Sanford, who steps into shoes of quarterback Jack Plunkett; fleet halfback Tom Nunziata, able pass-receiver who led squad in ground gained; tackle Al LaHood, who made Little



**KEN STOUT**, Temple back who led Owl scorers, boasts 96-yard td run.



**DICK HEMMER**, rangy guard, is rated one-man line by his Rutgers mates.

**ANGELO IANNUCCI** packs power inside and outside for Rutgers.



All-America; tackle Jim Condon, a sophomore who returns from the Army; and fullback Dave Provenzano, sophomore power runner.

Rounding out team are ends Lorel Teolis and Cliff Coughlin, guards Joe Masone and Joe Pontrello, center Carl Orent and halfback Don Rini or George Kandiloros. Warren Tucker, sophomore quarterback and end, also is back from Army. Backs shape up stronger than line.

**BOWDOIN**—Adam Walsh, old Notre Dame center, starts his 20th year at Brunswick, Me., feeling that the Polar Bears have the "poorest outlook in years."

Freshman classes of last two years, reports Walsh, have had fewer football prospects than any of their predecessors in his time. Besides which he lost quarterback Jack Cosgrove and halfback Red Totman, who helped put the Bears on the alkaline side with 4-3 mark and enabled them to beat two of three State rivals.

Nothing cheers up Walsh. "We'll be lucky to win any," is his doleful prediction. Never having had Spring practice, he foresees problems in building line. But he has 15 lettermen, five of them regulars.

**COLBY**—From 2-5 mark, Mules reckon to go up, though they may be underdogs in six of their seven games. Ten regulars form encouraging nucleus, if Frank Maze can fortify center and fullback spots and strengthen running game.

"We're relying on sophomores," says Maze. Among his newcomers are halfbacks Dick Merrihan and Neil Stinneford and end Dick Krasniger. They will join lineup led by quarterback Don Lake and guard John Dutton. Other first-stringers are end John Jacobs, tackles Arthur Marchand and Ralph Cuccuro, guard Barkey Boole, center George Dinnerman and backs Robert Bruns and Richard Bartlett.

**BATES**—With seven regulars and six other lettermen returning and freshmen eligible for varsity, Bob Hatch sees striking improvement and expects to move Bobcats up from dismal 1-6 record when they were low men on State of Maine totem pole. No stars were lost. Bob Chumbook, captain, looms as standout. Owing to influx of sophomores and freshmen, lineup uncertain. Quarterback and line should be strongest part of team. Ball-carrying burden, however, will be carried by scat-type backs.

**FRANKLIN & MARSHALL**—Loss of six starters from a small squad which posted 5-2 record and failure of freshman team to win a game provide relatively bleak outlook for Diplomats under Woody Sponaule.

Though probable lineup is uncertain, co-captains John Copenhaver, center, and Bill Boyer, tackle, are sure of starting berths. Strength of tackles and ends is of most concern to coach. Two returning Marines, tackle James Neese and fullback John Tullai, figure to be useful. Five regulars are listed among 11 lettermen.

**KING'S COLLEGE**—Under Jim Moran and Bernie Millham, Monarchs hope to maintain winning pace in their small-college Pennsylvania set, with six regulars, a robust line from end to end and potentially good running game.

Chief losses on Wilkes Barre, Pa., campus were passing combine of Harry Miller and T quarterback Bobby Olshan. Kenny Hayden, southpaw passer, takes over at quarterback and swift halfback Bob Troiani moves in as one of three probable sophomore regulars along with guards Marty Roche and Bob Mahoney. Veterans who plug line are end Hank Kuzminski, 205-pound tackles Mark

**BUDDY AMENDOLA**, 204-pound fullback, is key to Connecticut attack.

**HENRY BRENNER**, totally deaf, does remarkable job at guard for Rhode Island.



**JOHN CHIRONNA**, top Bucknell griddle, stays at guard in veteran line. **BILLY PAPPAS**, senior New Hampshire quarterback, among league's best.



Mancini and Carl Gulbish. Other likely starters: end Vince Shemanski, center Jim Florek, halfback Roy Baker and fullback Dan Huntz.

**BUFFALO**—The Bulls, who have won only one game in each of the last two seasons, are still struggling along with limited personnel. Added to which they did away with such meager Spring practice as they formerly had.

Fritz Febel will have to start from scratch in fashioning a line where losses were heaviest, plus heavy-duty fullback Elmer Jahn. Of six lettermen, three are backs—quarterback Ray Kennedy and halfbacks Pete Rao and Bill Crowley, a durable scatback. Question is how far they can get behind green line.

**MIDDLEBURY**—The Panthers' record of 2-5 showed no statistical improvement over previous year, but season ended on a bright note.

"If we can match big upset (7-0) win over traditional rival Vermont, the season will be successful," cites Duke Nelson.

Loss of both tackles among six regulars furnishes him with problem there and also at center and quarterback. He likes his ends and fullback and has an outstanding blocker and defensive stalwart in end George Limbach, 6-3, 190. Seventeen lettermen return.

**ALBRIGHT**—Coach Eddie Gulian has a squad well-stocked with linemen, but will have to bank on less-experienced ball-carriers.

The veteran regulars include Ed McNeill and Bob Krize, ends; Jim Goss and Fred Hess, tackles; Jack Clopper and Bob Sulyma, guards, and Jack Huntzinger, center. Backing up this group are Joe Hayick and Pete LaRocco, ends; Ted Kujawski and Art Bellisio, tackles; Fred Ardito and Franklin Goldstein, guards, and Ray Stoneback, center.

Gulian must find replacements for Jack Sudol and Tony D'Apolito, stellar backs. Sudol, fullback and quarterback, won All-State and Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference most valuable player honors and was the No. 1 punter.

Albright has no Spring practice, but tentative plans call for one backfield unit comprising Roy Dragon, quarterback; Tom Pollock and Bob Morawczynski, halfbacks, and Chris Wenger, fullback. Pressing them are Carmen DelRocco, signal-caller; Bob Reller and Jack Peiffer, halfbacks, and Joseph L. Sheppard, fullback.

**SCRANTON**—Pete Carlesimo, a former Fordham great, is confident this year's squad can better last year's record of 5-3-1. He has 13 lettermen returning, four halfbacks; ten veterans who did not see enough action to earn a letter; and two excellent sophomore prospects—Joe Wycallis, 180-pound center, and Clem Russavage, 190-pound block-busting fullback. Wycallis is an outstanding punter and line-backer.

In the backfield, Jim Lavery, second in the State in scoring; quarterback Joe McGlynn and fullback Rudy Biancone, both speedy, shifty runners, are naturals for Carlesimo's Split-T.

Capt. Ray Cordelli and tackles Bill Hollenback and Hugo Murrazzi give the center of the line plenty of strength. The ends pose the biggest problem, with only one letterman, Gil D'Archangelo on hand.

**RENSELAER POLY**—Head coach Nick Skorich, former Steeler guard, has most of his 1953 starting eleven back for his second year at the Engineers' helm. Outstanding prospects on the squad are halfback Willie Lick, who won Little All-America honorable mention; Phil Raymond, All-State guard at Springdale, Utah, H. S.; and several fine freshmen.

**BROOKLYN**—Three cheers for the Kingsmen. They had every excuse to give up the game as a hopeless venture. Win-less for years, they dropped seven straight last year, scored in only one game. But the municipal college deep in the heart of the Dodger borough voted to retain the sport, if Spring turnout warranted it. So Ted Rosequist will coach 'em again, win, lose or draw.



**TOM GOLDEN**, 5-foot-10 guard, is outstanding on forward wall for Maine.

**LOU KIRSCH**, stellar tackle, bids to improve defense for Massachusetts.



**MARK MANCINI**, 6'-2", 205-pound guard, gives King's College line power.



**JIM LAVÉRY** is speedy scoring threat for Scranton from potent Split-T





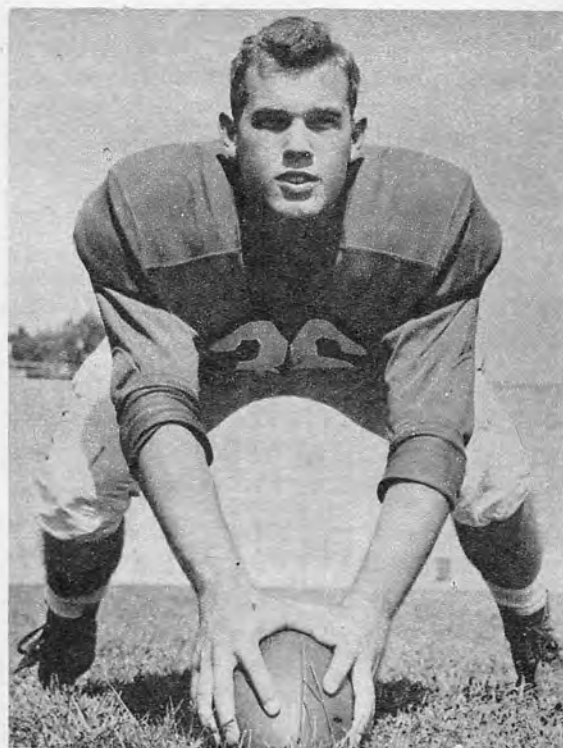
RONNIE WALLER goes high to get pass off in 26-0 Maryland victory over North Carolina despite Jim McCreedy, charging Tar Heel end. Waller, a 10-second man, is rated as one of the best all-around backs.



JOE HORNING, Terrapin defensive star, gets chance to show wares as attacking halfback on '54 aggregation.



GEORGE PALAHUNIK, vet Terp guard, is part of impregnable middle trio.



JOHN IRVINE, Maryland co-captain, who packs 215 pounds on 6'-2" frame, is anchor of mighty line and certain contender for All-America center laurels.





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# Atlantic Coast and Southern

## MARYLAND, DUKE DOMINATE ACC; WEST VA. ODDS-ON SOUTHERN PICK

### PREDICTIONS

#### Atlantic Coast

1. Maryland
2. Duke
3. South Carolina
4. Clemson
5. North Carolina
6. Wake Forest
7. Virginia U.
8. N. C. State

#### Southern

1. West Virginia
2. Furman
3. George Washington
4. William & Mary
5. Virginia Tech
6. Richmond
7. Virginia Military
8. Washington & Lee
9. Davidson
10. The Citadel

#### East Coast Marine Corps

1. Parris Island
2. Camp Lejeune
3. Quantico
4. Cherry Point

**M**ARYLAND and Duke, undefeated powers of the newly-formed Atlantic Coast Conference a year ago, rate head and shoulders above the pack as they toe the mark for another gridiron gallop. Since they didn't meet last season, all-winning Maryland had to share the loop title with Duke.

They are almost lead-pipe cinches to finish one-two again because they don't oppose each other this year. Graduation riddled the ranks of Maryland's National Champions of 1953, wiping out the starting Orange Bowl backfield. But Coach Jim Tatum has gobs of highly-capable replacements.

Maryland promises to be an all-powerful aggregation along with Duke, which also suffered heavy manpower losses. Beaten only by Georgia Tech and Army outside the eight-member ACC, Duke is well-heeled in holdover material and several talented newcomers are due to replace departed aces.

Over in the Southern Conference, West Virginia looks like the odds-on favorite again. Although minus a dozen valuable members of last year's Sugar Bowl squad, Coach Art (Pappy) Lewis has enough left to make it a one-team race. Furman and George Washington are the leading dark horse threats.

South Carolina, which gets a chance to swap punches with Maryland and Duke, is given the best chance to tip over the applecarts of the co-favorites in the ACC. Coach Rex Enright's Gamecocks stunned West Virginia last year, handing the

Mountaineers their only regular season setback.

For the first time in memory, there are no head coaching changes in the Southern Conference. Only new coach in the ACC is Earle Edwards, former Michigan State assistant, who has succeeded Horace Hendrickson at North Carolina State.

At its annual spring meeting, the Southern Conference voted to make freshmen eligible for all varsity teams. This signaled for a rat-race to corral the best schoolboy prospects during the summer months. So, some outside threat might bob up with a classy array of frosh and make it difficult for the favored aggregations to have their cake and eat it too.

The smaller schools managed to have the freshman rule lifted so they could compete on more even terms with their big brother members. They also argued it was a financial headache to support two football squads—varsity and freshman—and the measure was passed by a 7-3 vote.

The Atlantic Coast Conference refused to discuss the freshman rule at its spring huddle, the member schools electing to keep the frosh off varsity athletic teams until their sophomore year. The ACC busied itself with selecting a new commissioner to succeed Col. Wallace Wade, who will stay with the Southern Conference and its 10-school organization.

### ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

**MARYLAND**—If the Terrapins get past Kentucky and UCLA, Jim Tatum can go all the way again. An air of optimism prevails on the College Park campus despite the absence of tackle Stan Jones and quarterback Bernie Faloney, both 14-karat All-Americans.

Although the dream backfield is gone, Coach Tatum can whip together a potent quartet of eager, anxious and dependable holdovers. Charley Boxold and Lynn Beightol will stage a merry battle for the quarterback job, but newcomer Frank Tamburello has class written all over him. Ronnie Waller, who played in the shadows of Chet Hanulak for two years, is faster and better defensively. He should be one of the nation's finest all-around backs. Joe Horning, a defensive artist the last two years, gets an opportunity at the other halfback

slot. Like Waller, he's a 10-second speedster.

Maryland has a murderous line plunger in Dick Bielski, a human battering ram who understudied Ralph Felton. Bielski picked up 88 yards in 11 carries against an all-pro line in the spring practice game. Tatum says he'll make Terp rooters forget Ed (Big Mo) Modzelewski, the All-America fullback of three years ago.

This No. 1 backfield will get relief from juniors Eddie Vereb, Dick Burgee, John Weiciecowski and Dave Nusz, and a host of hungry sophomores—Ralph Hawkins, Howard Dare, John McVicar, Jack Healy, Harold Hull, Bill Komlo and Jim Skarda. George Albrecht, a two-year squadman, spells Bielski.

Co-Capt. John Irvine, a brilliant blocker and linebacker, anchors a powerful forward wall. The raw-boned, 6-2, 215-pound pivotman is an All-America candidate. Jack Bowersox and George Palahunik return to their old guard posts to give Maryland great strength in the middle of the line. Tom Breunich, Ray Blackburn, Ralph Baierl and Tom McLuckie, all holdovers, will fight it out for the tackle slots left vacant by Jones and Ed Morgan. There are no worries at end with Bill Walker, another All-America bet, leading an experienced brigade comprising Tim Flynn, Paul Kramer, Russell Dennis and Jim Parsons.

**DUKE**—Sophs from one of the school's greatest freshman squads must fill canyon-like gaps in the Blue Devils' football armor. Duke lost Capt. Howard Pitt, standout end; All-America tackle Ed Meadows and guard Bobby Burrows, an unsung hero, not to mention halfback starters Red Smith and Lloyd Caudle and a crack fullback twosome of Jack Kistler and Byrd Looper.

Leonard Black, a pass-catching fool as a freshman, is a cinch to replace Pitt and join regular

**SONNY JURGENSEN**, clever soph quarterback, proved triple-threat skill while running wild with Duke Frosh in '53 and now takes over post on varsity.



Sonny Sorrell at end. Black may be Duke's greatest pass receiver. A pair of flashy sophomore tackles, 225-pound Roy Hord and 218-pound Dan Cox, figure to play a lot of ball. Sonny Jurgensen, dynamic one-man riot with the frosh, has caused Coach Bill Murray to shift quarterback Worth Lutz to fullback, where he must compete with rookie Harold McElhaney, who hits with the force of a two-ton truck. Jurgensen battles clever Jerry Barger for the signal-calling honors. Speedy Bernie Blaney and rugged Buddy Bass are newcomer halfbacks who may push letter-winning Bob Pascal, Nick McKeithan and Bill Conner out of the way.

Senior Johnny Palmer will throw his 178 pounds around at center again. He's one of the lightest pivotmen on a major college team in the nation. Starter Ralph Torrance and lettermen Jim Nelson and W. D. Fesperman lead the guard prospects. Fred Campbell and Doug Knotts, the latter a converted center, will be the tackles unless starter Jesse Birchfield gets eligible in summer school.

**SOUTH CAROLINA**—The aerial punch of Johnny Gramling-to-Clyde Bennett gone, the Gamecocks must resort to a ground game. Coach Rex Enright has the tools to construct a terrific running attack around junior speedsters Carl Brazell and Mike Caskey, a couple of eel-hipped halfbacks, and pile-driving Bill Wohrman, voted best blocker in the conference at fullback. Dashman Tommy Woodlee and plunging Bobby Drawdy are hot-shot reserves. Harold Lewis, Gramling's relief, moves into the ball-handling berth. The six-foot-one, 185-pound senior has loads of ability. Pushing him will be soph Mackie Prickett and 1952 letter-bearer Bill Behrens.

The graduation of Bennett and Warren Clarke poses a problem at end, but the line is solid from tackle to tackle. Leon Cunningham, an All-Conference choice two straight years, is a tower of strength at center. Frank Mincevich, 240-pound senior, and Dick Covington, 215-pound junior, are gifted guards. Hugh Merck and Harry Lovell are sharp tackle veterans. Bench-warmer Don Schuster was a pleasant surprise at end in Spring drills. Joe Silas, Larry Gosnell and Spec Granger are letter-winning flankmen.

**DAN COX**, soph Duke guard, who yells as he goes into action, adds spirit to Blue Devils.

**DOUG KNOTTS**, standout Duke tackle, is versatile lineman capable of shifting into center if needed.







**MIKE CASKEY**, South Carolina halfback, ran for 6.2 average as soph.



**LEON CUNNINGHAM**, S.C. center, was voted the best in ACC in '53.



**CARL BRAZELL**, Gamecock back, gained 425 yards, weighs only 150.

**CLEMSON**—Ditching of the two platoon caught drawlin' Frank Howard installing the T formation and his Tigers could whip only Presbyterian, The Citadel and Wake Forest last season. "But we're gonna be better, much better," he promises Clemson's 1954 opponents. Don King, an expert passer, has a year of ball-handling experience under his belt. He's the hub of a pack of 22 lettermen. Swift Buck George and hard-driving Joe Pagliei return at halfback. Red Whitten and Crimmins Hankinson are fullback vets. Soph Frank Griffith shines like a beacon at night and may win a ball-carrying assignment. Newcomer Charlie Bussey is a promising quarterback.

Dreher Gaskin leaves a big hole at end, but the rest of the line packs a wallop. Carry-overs up front include Joe Bowen, Walt Laraway, Scott Jackson and Pete Wall, ends; Tommy Mattos, Clyde White and B. C. Inabinet, tackles; Mark Kane and Buck Friester, guards; and Wingo Avery, Hampton Hunter and Bill McLellan, centers. Thirty sophs are on hand.

**NORTH CAROLINA**—Lack of an experienced quarterback and shortage of dependable hands on the terminals may handicap the Tar Heels as they tackle another suicidal schedule. Marshall Newman, Albert Long and Leonard Bullock return for their junior seasons after sharing the ball-handling chores last year. Absence of skilled pass-catchers hurts the flank department. Ball carriers are a dime a dozen, including Connie Gravitte, Ken Keller, Larry Parker and Flo Worrell. Parker hauled a kickoff return 85 yards to paydirt in the Spring intra-squad game. Rookies Larry McMullen and Don Klochak will make the regulars stay on their toes, says Coach George Barclay.

The center of the line appears vastly improved. Soph George Stavnitski may grab the pivot post from senior Bill Kirkman. There are a half dozen lettermen at guard, headed by hard-hitting Jimmy Neville, a hometown boy. Another Chapel Hillian, ex-GI Jack Maultsby, returns from two years of service ball to bolster the tackle outlook. Roland Perdue, John Lambert and Jack's baby brother, 210-pound Tom Maultsby, are holdovers. John Jones and John Bilich top the new crop of tackles.

Will Frye, Dick Starner, Norman Lane and Dan Mainer face stiff competition from newcomer Darden Livesay at end.

**WAKE FOREST**—Coach Tom Rogers freely predicts the Baptists will improve on last year's 3-6-1 record. A year of experience for 15 lettermen and assistance from new blood could make Wake Forest an awful tough customer. Joe White and Nick Consoles spark a dangerous aerial attack. Together they hit 21 of 34 passes in the Spring game which climaxed off-season drills. Bobby Frederick, Johnny Parham and Deane Hillenbrand can deliver the mail. Sophs Bill Barnes, Leo Ward, Dick Daniels and Skip Cswaykus add punch.

Bob Bartholomew stands out like the Rock of Gibraltar at tackle. He pairs with rugged Rocky Littleton. Ed Stowers, David Lee and Tommy Whims, all holdovers, and newcomer Jack Ladner are skilled ends. Guards Gerald Huth, Tony Trentini, Mark Viola and J. C. Turner flank center Joe Dupree in the middle of the forward wall.

**VIRGINIA**—After the most disastrous season since the Cavaliers started playing football in 1888, there's no place for them to go but up. Coach Ned McDonald's forces showed 40 points' worth of improvement in Spring practice. Things started going bad for the 1953 team when it lost its Spring game to the alumni, 41-0. This year's varsity bowed to almost the same alumni group, 7-6, but outgained the oldtimers.

Besides increased depth in both the line and backfield, the move which brought in Bill Dudley as backfield coach has proven a shot in the arm. Another important item is the return of fullback Herman Gatling after a year layoff. Dudley's first backfield may have gifted Rives Bailey calling plays for halfbacks Ray Quillen and Henry Strempek with Gatling or Herb Hartwell at full. All are lettered vets. Brightest soph runners are Ron Jenkins, Nick Lawyer and Steve Hoffer.

Two superior yearlings, Henry Jordan, 225, and Jim St. Clair, 206, are slated for regular line duty at tackle and guard, respectively. Otherwise, the forward wall offers a solid front of holdovers—

Charlie Modlin and Fred Moyer at end, Carlton Schelhorn at tackle, John Polzer at guard and Jim Pugh at center. Tucker McLaughlin and Bob Gundersman, flankers, and Jay Corson and Frank Fanon, guards, are polished new men.

**NORTH CAROLINA STATE**—New Coach Earle Edwards, ex-Michigan State assistant, tackles a gigantic rebuilding job. Faced with the task of installing a new system with what was left over from the squad which beat only Davidson a year ago, Edwards held Spring drills without quarterback Eddie West, one of the better signal-callers in the business, and guard Al D'Angelo, voted the team's outstanding performer last season. They were recuperating from Winter operations.

Here's the probable lineup of returnees: Henry Brown and Harry Lodge, ends; C. M. Price and Henry Spivey, tackles; John Bagonis and D'Angelo, guards; Dick Tonn, center; West, quarterback; Billy Teer and Monte Seehorn, halfbacks; and Don Langston, hard-plunging fullback. A shortage of reserves presents a big problem but outstanding rookies include guard John Barchiesi, center Darrell Dess, fullback Harrison McKeever and quarterback Billy Franklin.

#### SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

**WEST VIRGINIA**—The Mountaineers won't have the depth that last year's Sugar Bowl squad had despite the fact 16 of 28 lettermen return. "Our biggest loss came at tackle and unless some of the youngsters come through to help Bruce Bosley and Clyde Sweeney, our only lettermen there, we are going to be in real serious trouble. Too, you can't lose a center like All-America Bob Orders and not feel it."

Joe Papetti and Billy Hillen will be back at end. Gene Lamone is one of the South's better guards. Sam Huff, a guard last year, has switched to tackle. Newcomers Jerome Urda, Dick Nichols and Ernest Fuchs bolster the guard slots. Tackle Barry Blake

and end Joe Kopnisky are sophs who love to mix it. Chick Donaldson inherits Orders' pivot post. Junior Fred Wyant, a two-year veteran at quarterback, directs the offensive show. Bob Moss, Carl Norman, Dick Nicholson, Joe Marconi and Danny Williams are lettermen pigskin luggers.

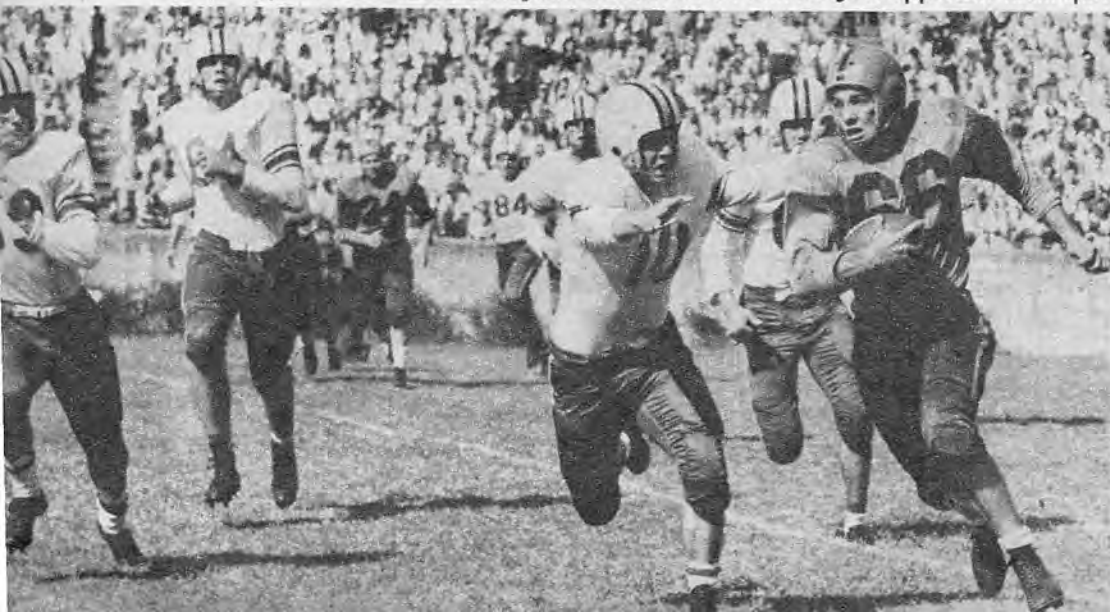
**FURMAN**—The Hurricane lost 17 boys from last year's team which copped seven games and lost two, but Coach Bill Young expects another crack-crack club if he can plug some gaps in his line. The backfield carries the kick of a mule with an all-letterman quartet of John Popson and Ted Yakimowicz at halfback, Jim Boyle at quarter and Bob Dellinger at full. Furman had the seventh best rushing team in the nation last season.

Vince Perone leaves a big pair of empty shoes at guard. Roland Barefoot and L. G. Hightower at end, Jackie Harris and Dave Young at tackle, Webster Williams and John Socha at guard and center Ronnie Byrd were letter winners last year. Rising soph ends Sidney Maddox and Bob Medlin are top-grade performers. Furman has championship aspirations.

**GEORGE WASHINGTON**—Coach Eugene (Bo) Sherman must repair the center of his forward wall to make the Colonials a contender. Graduation hit his team a staggering blow from tackle to tackle. Steve Korchek, voted the most valuable player in the conference, leaves a tremendous hole at center. Dick Gaspari, who lettered at center in 1952 and at guard last year, may fill the bill at pivot. Ed Sakach, burly 225-pounder with catlike reflexes, and Bob Sutton, a sharp blocker who likes it rough, are soph hopefuls at guard. Andy Zubic, a 230-pounder, leads a hefty group of yearling tackles with monogram aspirations. Richie Gaskell, an All-Conference selection; Pat Kober, Jack Daly and George Duncu are strong wingmen.

Arnie Tranen, junior college transfer, and Skinny Saffer, moved from halfback, will battle hold-over Bob Sturm for the ball-handling assignment.

DON KING, Clemson quarterback (right) speeds past Maryland's Bernie Faloney (10). Terps won. 20-0 but running and defensive skill won King all-opponent team spot.



CLYDE WHITE, 220-pound senior tackle, adds heft and skill to Clemson's power packed line.



## STREET AND SMITH'S FOOTBALL

Bill Weaver, who averaged 4.4 as a soph, tops a flock of runners. Claude Austin and George Shuba are promising sophomore ball-toters.

**WILLIAM & MARY**—After last year's hot-and-cold team won five, lost four and tied one, Coach Jack Freeman is searching for more balance to keep his Indians sizzling each Saturday. Place-kicker L. Quinby (Hadaol) Hines, who won so many games with his right foot the last three years, has departed along with fullback Bill Bowman and end Jeep Bednarik, two key men. But hopes are running high in historic Williamsburg and Coach Freeman admits the outlook is bright.

Quarterback Charlie Sumner, total offense leader in the conference a year ago, and halfback Shorty Herrmann, who snagged 13 passes, spearhead the offense. Woodie Traylor, who could be another Jack Cloud at fullback, and Jack Yohe, a 10-second man at halfback, are soph stickouts. Tackle Jerry Sazio, out with a bum knee after a great 1952 season, is ready for his senior campaign. Center Bill Marfizo, who played five different positions in the tie game with Navy last year, is Mr. Versatility in person. Ray Chiesa, Bill Tucker, Joe Cardamone and Tom Sydnor, all sophs, put new life in the forward wall.

**VIRGINIA TECH**—The Gobblers are short on experience at end and center, but co-Capt. George Preas, a truly fine tackle, and lettermen guards Jim Haren, Billy Kerfott and Ernie Wolfe provide strength at these slots. Johnny Dean, senior from Hopewell, Va., is a talented quarterback. Leo Burke, Billy Anderson, Bob Scruggs, Dickie Beard and Howie Wright earned letters as ball carriers last year. Newcomers Don Camp, Bill Cranwell and Don Divers are hopeful of an opportunity to get their hands on the pigskin. Jack Prater, who won a letter in 1951, seeks the pivot duties after a two-year service hitch.

**RICHMOND**—Coach Ed Merrick has a solid first



**KEN KELLER** heads array of capable ball carriers as Tar Heels face suicide schedule minus air threat.

team but lacks bench strength. The front line features holdovers Eric Christensen and Maurice Thacker at end, Bill Thacker and Clarence Keville at tackle, Bob Hallinan and Bob Sgro at guard and John Gavlick at center. Ralph Shoemaker, speedy halfback, and Jim Sipe, 210-pound guard, rejoin the team after service hitches. Room must be made in the backfield for George Riggs, 175-pound ball-of-fire sophomore. Bill Bauder and Tom Theodose are clever ball-handlers. Ralph Scarpo and Ed Santoro, swift halfbacks, and plunging Frank Pajaczkowski round out the leading candidates.

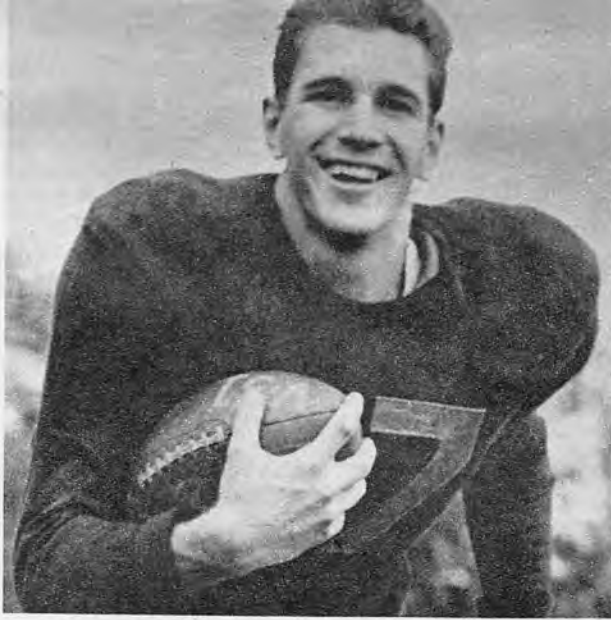
**VIRGINIA MILITARY**—The Keydets have a serious headache in the line. Coach John McKenna lost nine linemen who played a lot of ball. Only experienced front men are co-Capt. Charlie Byrd, regular end switched to tackle, and Buck Boxley,



**BOB BARTHOLOMEW** stands out as keystone of line at tackle for Wake Forest's upcoming team.

**JOE WHITE**, Wake Forest quarterback, elects to run in 18-13 victory over Villanova. Joe is also stellar passer and Deacons' rivals must always watch for telling aerials.





**HENRY STREMPEK**, 170-pound halfback, will see heavy duty in Virginia's bid for grid comeback.

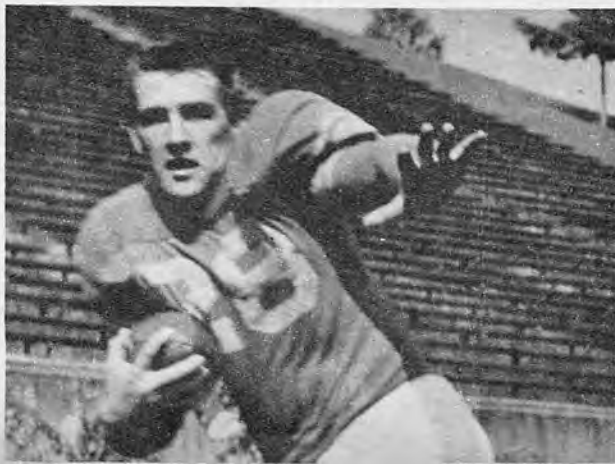


**JOE MARCONI** provides 220 pounds of line-blasting power at fullback for West Va. title defense.



**FRED WYANT** gets call as Mountaineer field general again and is one of reasons team rates top.

**JOHN POPSON**, All-State Furman back, averaged 7.4 yards per try rushing as soph in last grid campaign.



starting guard. Bill Miller, who started at tackle the latter part of the season, also returns.

Dave Woolwine is an improved quarterback. Troy Carter, understudy to the departed Johnny Mapp, and Mike Foley, a three-year man, will handle the halfback chores. Nick Servidio, two-year veteran, is a fixture at fullback. Reserves Charlie Lavery, Hal Snyder and Frank Boxley and rising sophs Jim Tate, Joe Moody and Wally Pawley add punch to the offensive department.

**WASHINGTON & LEE**—The Generals will do better when the defense catches up with the offense. The team averaged 294 yards per game last year but the opposition averaged 290. Coach Carl Wise expects to move the ball again but he's afraid there are too many leaks in the line. Harold Sturgill and Ken Groeneveld are seniors at end, but there are no lettermen guards. Bill Manning, 240-pound junior, and Roger Hagy, 220-pounder who was ineligible last year, should be hard to move at tackle. Jack Hare, who played end in 1953, moves back to his normal center spot.

Tom Shively steps into Joe Lindsey's shoes at quarterback. Carl Bolt, who averaged 5.98 yards per carry last year, and Connie Flanders, Billy Sargent, Eddie Landis and Walt Degree are letter backs. Joe Scales, flashy soph from Birmingham, Ala., is the talk of the State of Virginia. The 185-pounder was a star at Kentucky Military Institute before kicking up his heels for the W. & L. frosh last year.

**DAVIDSON**—With a lighter schedule and the addition of sophomores up from one of the best freshman squads in the school's history, the Wildcats have sharpened their teeth for 1954. "We should have more depth, weight and speed than last year's inexperienced team," explains Coach Bill Dole, who didn't chalk up a victory in 1953. Seventeen lettermen and 22 willing newcomers fly Davidson's banner.

Fleet Jimmy Thacker, who averaged exactly five yards for 85 carries; Harley Smith, Henry Brown and Bill Rowland comprise a holdover backfield. The kingpins in the line are center Tal Broughton, guards Dickie Davis, Tom Owen and Gene Davis, tackles Harry Petersen and Harold Davis, and end Corky King. Bob Campbell, Tom Newton and Bill Gramley are new flankmen.

**JACK YOHE**, a 10-second soph back makes Wm. & Mary coach Freeman predict brighter grid outlook.





**THE CITADEL**—Coach John McMillan admits his Bulldogs will be fortunate to win as many games as they lose. He plans to build around quarterback Duby Rierson, crack passer, and Jim Tyson, outstanding end. Fullback Ray Allan, who will do the punting, is another backfield standout. Center Bob McDowell and tackles Dick Cole and Ken Hill are experienced line stars. Leading newcomers are fullback Dave Buchnowich, quarterback Johnny Conley, halfbacks Judgie Broome and Al Anjrejko, guards John Kwak and Tom Margle, and ends Pete Forgach and Stan Wysocki.

#### EAST COAST MARINE CORPS

**PARRIS ISLAND, S. C.**—Lt. Col. Bruno J. Andraska, former University of Iowa center, expects to put an improved team on the field next fall. He will build around two holdovers from last season, Richard Bobo, guard who played at Penn State in 1952, and Jimmy Ray, 21-year-old fullback from Nashville, Tenn. The 195-pound Ray averaged 4.5 yards per try at Vanderbilt in 1952.

Newcomers likely to bolster the Parris Island squad include Billy Hawkins, ex-Navy halfback; Paul Pancoast, quarterback from Tampa U.; Leo Bland, 225-pound center from Akron U.; Roy Colquit, guard from Idaho U.; and Chester E. Dukes, Chattanooga fullback. Coach Andraska feels he has the nucleus to give him a strong contender for service honors.

**CAMP LEJEUNE, N. C.**—All of the key personnel which sparked Lejeune to a record of eight wins, two defeats and a tie last season has departed and Capt. William B. Jones, who moves up from line coaching duties, has his work cut out for him in his first year as head coach. His chief assistant will be First Lt. Bennie Davis, who played center on the 1953 eleven.

Coaches Jones and Davis will build around three talented transfers from last year's All-Marine Quantico aggregation. Bob Meyers, who played part of the 1952 season with the San Francisco 49ers after being a member of Stanford's 1951 Rose Bowl squad, is a hard-hitting fullback. Gerald Wenzil, 210-pounder from East Chicago, Ill., won Little All-America honors playing center for St. Joseph's College in Indiana. Bob Loving, 22-year-

old native of Abilene, Tex., was one of the most sought-after scholastic stars in Texas. He's also a center candidate.

**QUANTICO, Va.**—The football outlook at this huge Marine base won't take shape until the new coach, Lt. Col. J. T. Hill, an Annapolis grad, counts noses in September. "Our prospects aren't as good as in the past principally because the caliber of service football has improved tremendously in the past few years," explains Coach Hill. "Boys like Notre Dame's John Petitbon, Stanford's Bob Meyers, Princeton's Frank MacPhee and the New York Giants' John Amberg—outstanding two-way performers last year—will be playing against us this season."

Mid-summer found Coach Hill expecting J. D. Roberts, Oklahoma's All-America guard; Bob Mathias, Stanford's fine back; Billy Tate of Illinois and Larry Grigg, who scored Oklahoma's winning touchdown in the Orange Bowl. Incoming recruits will form the backbone of the Quantico team which must defend its East Coast Marine Championship of 1953. Quantico was the No. 2 ranking service squad in America last year.

**CHERRY POINT, N. C.**—The Marine Flyers from North Carolina have one holdover from the 1953 team which upset All-Marine Champion Quantico, 9-6. He's tackle J. T. Seaholm from the University of Texas. Recently drafted by the Chicago Bears, Seaholm also did Cherry Point's place-kicking last season.

Although prospects were clouded when this publication went to press, the Flyers have arranged another rugged schedule which includes Quantico, Bolling AFB, Little Creek, Bainbridge NTS, Parris Island, Fort Eustis, Norfolk NTS, Fort Lee, Camp Lejeune and Fort Jackson. The coach appointed to succeed Capt. Charlie Abrahams, who has been assigned new flight duties at Pensacola, Fla., must rebuild from the ground up in a hurry.

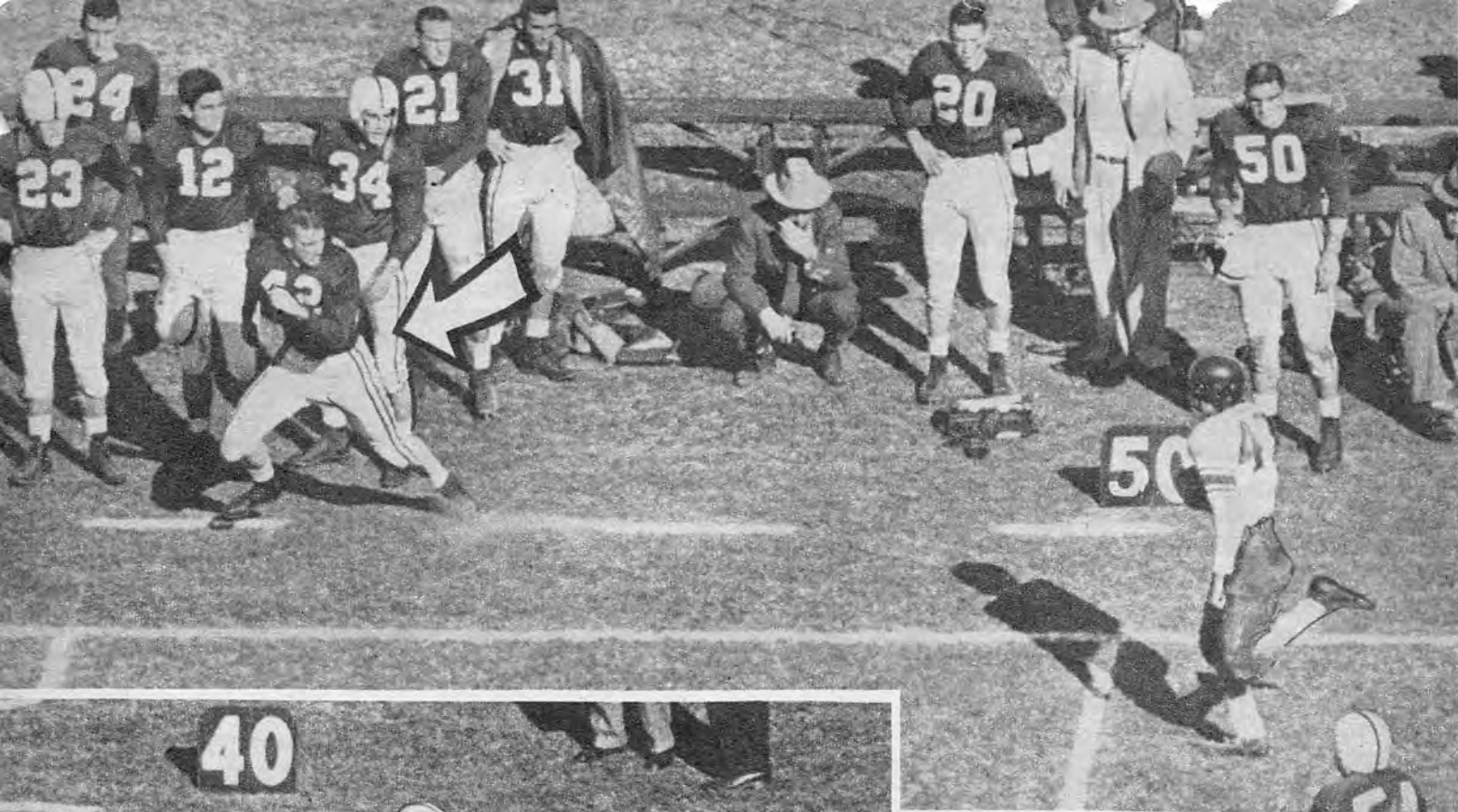
**ROGER HAGY**, ineligible last season, returns at tackle as Washington and Lee attempts to plug gaps in defense that allowed 290 yds. per game.

**CARL BOLT** will captain Washington and Lee's Generals this year from halfback post where he piled up 5.98 yards per attempt average in '53.



**BUCK BOXLEY**, guard, is one of two veterans on VMI forward wall this Fall as coach John McKenna tries to weld a unit capable of holding own with tough Conference foes.

**DAVE WOOLWINE**, steadily improving quarterback for Keydets of VMI, has veteran backfield array to direct behind green line in bid for upset glory in grid campaign.



**DREAM TACKLE . . .** Alabama co-captain Tommy Lewis (arrows) leaps from the sidelines into national headlines as he dashes onto Cotton Bowl turf in 12th man role to bring down Rice's Dick Moegle (picture left) who had clear path to end zone. Lewis later apologized, saying it was all like a dream. Ref awarded Owls' ace balance of 95-yard scoring run as Texans went on to 28-6 victory. Moegle dominated game with scoring sorties of 95, 79 and 34 yards but it was Lewis who stunned bowl and TV viewers throughout the United States.

**MENAN SCHRIEWER**, 6-foot-4 wing, is among towering Texas end squad which makes passing attack constant menace.

**HERB GRAY**, stalwart Texas tackle, rates as standout at his post in line for Texas' Southwest loop title drive.

**DELANO WOMACK**, Longhorn left half, spices Texans' attack with speed and drive on Split T running thrusts.







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# Southwest

## TEXAS STEERS SET FOR LONG DRIVE INTO SW GRID THRONE CORRAL

### PREDICTIONS

Southwest Conference	Border Conference
1. Texas	1. Texas Tech
2. Baylor	2. Arizona
3. Rice	3. Arizona St. (Tempe)
4. TCU	4. Texas Western
5. SMU	5. Hardin-Simmons
6. Arkansas	6. West Texas St.
7. Texas A&M	7. New Mexico A&M
Lone Star Conference	Gulf Conference
1. East Texas	1. Trinity
2. Sam Houston	2. North Texas St.
3. Southwest State	3. Midwestern
4. Lamar State	Texas Conference
5. Sul Ross	1. McMurry
6. Stephen F. Austin	2. Howard Payne
7. Texas A&I	3. Eastern New Mex. U.

### Independents

1. Abilene Christian
2. Austin College

**T**HE University of Texas rides tall in the Southwest football saddle.

Baylor and Rice will hurl courageous challenges. Texas Tech may produce a better won and lost record. A dozen teams from the 36 senior college powers of the Arkansas-Arizona-Texas-New Mexico expanse will uncork spectacular performances. But, to the Longhorns must go first call.

In three of the last four seasons the Orange has won or shared the championship of the Southwest Conference, foremost company of the section. Now, if there is such, Texas is a "sure thing" to win again.

Rivals are cheered only by a memory. Last time the Steers were so rated, they lost. That was in '41 when D. X. Bible's "Wonder Team" tied Baylor, lost to TCU and yielded the title to Texas A&M.

Elsewhere the future isn't so clearly revealed, although the star spangled Red Raiders of Texas Tech and the streaking Lions of East Texas State do rate cautious first calls over Arizona University and Sam Houston State in the Border and Lone Star conferences respectively.

Trinity University's Tigers, who won the championship in 1953, may have a slight edge over North Texas State in the three-school Gulf Coast Conference.

The Texas Conference, which has shrunk from a six to three-team company, will probably be ruled by McMurry unless Howard Payne improves sharply or Eastern New Mexico surprises.

Abilene Christian College and Austin College will set out, fresh and stronger, upon new courses as independents. Texas A&I of Kingsville has switched to the Lone Star Conference.

The Border Conference may not establish an undisputed champion because a round-robin schedule is not being played. Arizona State of Tempe plays neither Texas Tech nor New Mexico A&M, and Hardin-Simmons does not meet Arizona University.

With only four exceptions, teams are expected to be equal to or better than last year. In spite of the improvement, the section isn't expected to match its '53 post-season record when it won four bowl games, tied one and lost none.

Counting the University of Houston, which will again compete in the Missouri Valley Conference, the Southwest will have 10 teams that'll compare favorably with the best.

Decisive victories by Texas Tech (over Auburn, 35-13) and Texas Western (over Mississippi Southern, 30-6) in the 1954 Gator and Sun Bowl games emphasized that the Border Conference is playing better football than is generally realized.

The 30 consecutive victories (longest string in intercollegiate football) by East Texas and Sam Houston's victory over the College of Idaho in the Refrigerator Bowl indicate the Lone Star Conference stands with the best in its class.

New Mexico Military Institute at Roswell is due to challenge Panhandle A&M at Goodwell, Okla., for the New Mexico Conference championship.

Coach Oscar Williams of Panhandle A&M lost only 3 starters and has 24 lettermen returning from his championship squad. Tom Shaef, 210-pound fullback; Billy Bob Reed, right halfback; and guard Allen Tucker looms as his outstanding stars.

Coaching changes have been made at Texas A&M, East Texas State Teachers, Texas A&I and Southwest Texas State.

Ray George voluntarily retired at A&M after the 1953 season to go into private business. Paul (Bear) Bryant was hired away from the University of Kentucky to fill the vacancy. Willie Zapalac is the only assistant George retained. Bryant



DICK MOEGLE, all-time Cotton Bowl star, gained 1,098 yards rushing for Rice in '53 and is key '54 Owl.



PINKY NISBET, who batted .620 on aerials in '53, is sure to open rival defense when calling Owl plays.



RONNIE GUESS, speedy Baylor soph halfback, is one reason Baylor gets greater attack depth.

CLARENCE DIERKING (left) and JIM RAY SMITH bulwark Baylor line in Bears' dark horse bid for title.



brought in most of the staff which had been with him at Lexington, Ky.

Milburn (Catfish) Smith surprisingly quit East Texas after tying Arkansas State, 7-7, in the Tangerine Bowl, to take a better paying job (reportedly \$10,000 a year) at Longview High School. East Texas promptly grabbed her former coach, J. V. (Siki) Sikes who had been released by the University of Kansas.

Dewey Mayhew, long-time athletic leader in Texas, voluntarily stepped aside both as athletic director and head coach at A&I to become a faculty member. Gil Steinke, formerly of Texas A&M, took over both jobs.

At Southwest Texas State, Milton Jowers, who will remain as basketball coach, was replaced by R. W. Parker, Jr., brother of the Detroit Lions' Buddy Parker. Parker had been assistant coach at Stephen F. Austin State.

Bracketed as the chief threats to the Longhorns are the Baylor Bears and the Rice Owls. The latter tied Texas for the championship last year and (because they had nipped the Longhorns, 18-13) went to the Cotton Bowl where they defeated Alabama, 28-6.

Baylor ran out of gas in '53. From necessity, Coach George Sauer tried to meet his 10-game schedule with one set of regulars and one incomplete set of reserves. Injuries and exhaustion nailed him in November. This time he'll have more men, including the most celebrated sophomore passer (Doyle Traylor) in the land, and a better schedule. Odds will be against Baylor, but she should pick up the marbles if Texas stumbles.

Rice will be minus five of the extraordinary linemen who blocked opponents silly, All-America fullback Kosse Johnson and two alternating quarterbacks. Coach Jess Neely will have Dick Moegle, greatest climax runner in these parts, and 70 strong boys. By the end of the season Rice will have smooth power, but the Flock seems unlikely to find itself in time to head off the Longhorns.

Texas Christian will be improved but probably still a year away from challenging for the championship. SMU has an impressive group of fine running backs, but must find an able quarterback and depth in line strength.

A&M and Arkansas were extremely tough at times last year. They may be better this year, but neither appears to have enough over-all strength in depth.

While admitting his team should be the favorite, Coach Price denies the Longhorns deserve to be the most overwhelming choice in 13 years. He says Texas was overrated and recalls A&M was the only Conference rival decisively defeated in '53; that Texas barely squeezed past SMU, Arkansas and Baylor and had to whip TCU in the fourth quarter.

He concedes, however, that except for the loss of two outstanding ends, the team was not hurt by graduation.

Price is afraid that Howard Moon, one of his top ends, may not fully recover from the broken arm suffered last year. There is a question at center.



Both his No. 1 and No. 2 pivotmen, John Tatum and Leighton Younger, missed Spring practice because of lameness. Tatum was recuperating from a knee operation. Younger was bothered by a shoulder injury suffered in 1953.

The Longhorns will use more pure Split-T operations in 1954. So, the running of George Robinson, Billy Quinn and Delano Womack will be emphasized. However, quarterback Charles Brewer is a fair passer and will have top receivers in Womack, Robinson and Menan Schriewer. Reserve quarterback Dick Miller is a superior passer.

### SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

**UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS**—The Orange and White Longhorns, who graze practically on the lush lawn of the State Capitol at Austin, lost only four regulars from the 1953 team that shared the Conference title with Rice. To take the place of those departed few (ends Carlton Massey and Gilmer Spring; fullback Dougal Cameron and guard Phil Branch) Coach Edwin Booth Price will have 10 proven men and another dozen candidates. The returnees and replacements will be not only numerous, but they'll be large, learned and full of locomotion.

Summed up, the facts are these: lettermen lost, 12; lettermen returning, 22; unlettered 1953 squadmen returning, 11; freshmen and last year hold-outs available, 37.

There will be at least three able players for most positions, but at five spots strength will decline when starters leave the field. Quarterback Charles Brewer; tackles Herb Gray and Buck Lansford; guards Don Kirby Miller and Ben Woodson are considered so superior their absence will be felt in spite of the fact Coach Price will have reserves capable of playing first fiddle at half the other Conference schools.

Texas will have a line that'll present tall (6 feet to 6-4) 200 to 230-pounders from end to end.

The backs will be relatively small (around 180 pounds) but they'll be loaded with qualifications desired in Split-T operation.

If the Longhorns were thin, you'd think it'd be at the wings where they lost Massey and Spring, you'll recall. Massey made the Football Writers' All-America team and some others. A considerable number of Southwest observers considered Spring better. Instead of being left barren by the departure of those seniors, Texas has seven towering fellows, any two of whom might do a more complete job than Massey or Spring. Menan Schriewer, 6-4 and 210, is a junior who played enough as a sophomore to earn his letter. He does it all. Morton Moriarity is a 22-year-old former Marine star whose 217 pounds of sophomore fury may displace such fine upperclass ends as Don Jones, Howard Moon, Malcolm Kitchens and Paul Parkinson. Mike Trant is another lively sophomore.

Woodson, 225-pound guard, is the only sophomore who is shoving lettermen out of the starting line. In Gray and Lansford, the Longhorns have as tough a pair of tackles as you are likely to find.



**HUGH PITTS**, 205-pound Horned Frog center, also handles kick-off chores for improving TCU outfit.



**RON CLINKSCALE** shifts to quarterback where his proven speed and finesse hopes to make TCU click.

Center is a slight problem, but if returning lettermen John Tatum and Leighton Younger fail, Langford Sneed or Bob Tucker can take over.

Billy Quinn, 185, has been moved from halfback to fullback after sitting out most of last season with a broken arm. He was All-Conference as a sophomore in 1952. Pat Maroney, Ed Kelley and Bill Long will keep Quinn on his toes.

George Robinson, 190, junior, will be the biggest and fastest back. He'll go from the right half spot ahead of Charles Dollar and Larry Graham.

Delano Womack and Chester Simcik, both 170-pound lettered juniors, will probably share left half.

**DOYLE NIX**, veteran end, figures to see plenty of action on SMU line that rates with tops in loop but again lacks reserves.

**DUANE NUTT**, Mustang co-captain, holds key to SMU hopes against another tough group of foes, of picking payoff plays.



**BAYLOR**—This could be the Bears' year. At the close of Spring training Coach George Sauer, who declined an opportunity at his alma mater, Nebraska, to spend a fifth season at Waco, said he expects his 1954 team to have greater overall depth than in 1953. That's all the Bears need. If they'd had a few more able reserves in 1953 they might have won their first championship in 29 years instead of finishing third.

How much deeper will the Bruins be? They lost 15 of the 27 players who were awarded letters in '53. Included were six starters and five others who gave substantial aid to the Baptist cause. If Sauer is to have the needed 25 to 33 qualified players this year, he'll have to develop 13 to 21 from the 22 unlettered '53 squadmen who are returning and 27 sophomores, transfers and holdouts.

He has something to work with. The Baylor freshmen licked everything they looked at last season, and good. Working with an incredible young giant, center Bill Glass, the Cub line threw opponents off the field while the equally unbelievable quarterback, Doyle Traylor, clicked off touchdowns with the same kind of passing magic that made him nationally famous while still in high school at Temple, Texas.

Bobby Jones (another brilliant quarterback), Reuben Saage, Del Shofner, Ronnie Guess, Bobby Morris, Bob Herod, Dan Miller, Dugan Pearce and Bill Parsley are just a few of the freshmen who provide the support the 12 returning lettermen will need.

**HENRY MOORE**, 185-pound fullback, earned spurs as soph in '53 and looms key double duty Arkansas back.



Gone are such stars as quarterback Francis (Cotton) Davidson, halfback Jerry Coody and tackle Robert Knowles, but tackle Jim Ray Smith, who made some All-America selections last year; backs L. G. (Long Gone) Dupre and Allen Jones; the brilliant end Excell Amyett and the fastest-guard-in-football, Clarence Dierking, are among those returning.

Baylor's offense is likely to be even more effective than it was last year when 219 points were scored, but the defense is doubtful. The Bears yielded 186 points last year, but 120 of those came in the last four games when injuries and sheer weariness had lowered resistance.

Only one coaching change was made during the year. Clyde (Bulldog) Turner, the former All-Pro center who had been employed on a part-time basis, has not been rehired.

**RICE**—No one who saw Dickie Moegle run wild (265 yards and three touchdowns) against Alabama in the Cotton Bowl game, which was nationally televised, will be willing to count his team out of the 1954 race. The mercurial Slim-Jim halfback will be back for a final fling with the grey-blue Owls.

With him will be 12 other lettermen who served under the taciturn Tennessean, Coach Jess Neely, in 1953 when he tied Texas for the Conference championship. (Rice nipped Texas in the last minute 18-13 and thus gained the Cotton Bowl assignment although she lost, also in the last minute, 7-12 to SMU.)

The trouble is that Moegle has lost the help of 16 lettermen, including All-America fullback David (Kosse) Johnson, All-Conference tackle Dick Chapman and the most potent crew of blocking linemen the Southwest has seen on one team in 20 years.

Kenny Paul, 185-pound guard who can pull and mow 'em down as well as any man, is the only returning lineman of the crew who made the Owls dead in nine games last season.

They say the Owls will be a passing team this year. They have John (Pinky) Nisbet back at quarterback. He completed 62 per cent of his 29 shots last year, and he'll have the finest group of ends in Rice history with which to work.

But, Neely is a running coach. With Nisbet and other good passers around in '53 his Owls ran 80 per cent of the time. He'll have a flock of fine runners . . . Moegle, Morris Stone, Mendel Laviage, Mac Taylor, Jack Throckmorton, Gordon Kellogg and Jerry Hall, to mention a few. If the Owls pass, it'll be more a sign of ineffective line blocking than a change of Neely's stripes.

Marshall Crawford, junior end; center Don Wilson and Layton Goleman, 230-pound senior tackle, are outstanding among the returning linemen.

Jean Barras, a guard, and James Peters, an end, are sophomores who are counted on to fill the gaps left by the departure of such stars as John Hudson, Dan Hart, Leo Rucka, Max Schuebel, Blois Bridges and Chapman.



Only 11 members of the 1954 squad are seniors. Fourteen are juniors and 30 sophomores.

**TEXAS CHRISTIAN**—The Purple Horned Frogs of TCU will be slightly stronger this year than in '53 when they started with a new system (Split-T), a new head coach, Abe Martin, and a flock of green hands. They can, however, show considerable improvement and still not challenge seriously for the championship. They had a 3-7 record in '53, one of the poorest in history of the school. This year the Frogs can, with reasonable luck, break even while playing a 10-game schedule.

With his same staff and 13 lettermen (from a total of 26) and an above-average freshman squad, Coach Martin will move toward higher ground. Spring training scrimmages proved that the Christians have improved their offense at least 25 per cent simply by knowing more about the attack they are using.

Ronnie Clinkscale moved from halfback, where he played two years, to quarterback and displayed form that promises to make him more effective than ever. He has the speed, quickness and finesse to make the optional pitchouts work. He is a fair passer. However, a tall (6-2) 200-pound sophomore, Charles Curtis, is the ultimate quarterbacking hope. He and 52 other members of this year's squad will be back in '55.

End Johnny Crouch and guard Claude Roach will captain the Frogs in '54. Only eight other seniors will be on the squad.

Center Hugh Pitts, tackle Ray Hill, Ray Taylor and Crouch are lettered linemen expected to make the strongest bids for individual honors. Gerald Redus and David Finney are the outstanding backs with experience.

Guard Jay McCullough, tackle Don Cooper, end O'Day Williams, halfback James Swink and fullbacks Henry Crowsey and Buddy Dike are among the more promising sophomores.

**SOUTHERN METHODIST**—In his second season as foreman of the Mustang ranch, Coach Chalmer Woodard faces another schedule that opens with Georgia Tech and closes with Notre Dame. He'll have about the same kind of material as in 1953, when the Blue and Red wound up with a 5-5 record. But, the attitude will be different. Things have cooled down in Dallas. The SMU situation was touchy at the start of the 1953 season when Woodard, fresh from a small-college league in Kansas, had taken over from the veteran Rusty Russell, who had been forced to resign.

Dick Todd, the old pro who was hired as a special assistant a year ago, has been replaced by a younger man, Harold Hagan, former quarterback at South Carolina who was freshman coach at Georgia Tech in '53.

The Mustangs appear to need several things but most of all, perhaps, they need a slick, big-time quarterback, an "operator," to select the plays, handle the ball and get the most out of a talented group of backs. Co-Captain Duane Nutt, an earnest

senior who tried last year, has been studying hard under Hagan.

Frank Eidom, Don McIlhenny and Hal O'Brien are the backs most likely to be assigned to carry out Nutt's orders.

Co-Captain Raymond Berry and another end, Doyle Nix, are the outstanding members of a line that figures to stand up to most rivals until replacements are required. SMU was none too deep up front last year and the situation hasn't improved. Sophomores Smitty Keller and Bill Livingstone could help that situation.

Coach Woodard lost 14 of his 27 lettermen.

Of the 65 players due to report for duty in September, only 10 will be seniors; 30 will be juniors and 25 members of last year's fair freshman team.

**ARKANSAS**—Coach Bowden Wyatt, who lifted the Scarlet Razorbacks from seventh to fifth in his first year at Fayetteville, may again have a better team and a better record his second season than generally expected. In spite of the loss of 17 lettermen, including Lamar McHan, who hit the All-America form in '53 previously expected of him, Arkansas expects to show improvement in '54. Only slight improvement will be required perhaps to achieve a 5-5 record.

Because he has carefully weeded out men unprepared to play his type of rock-ribbed football, the 34-year-old head coach who learned his lessons at Tennessee has only five seniors on his 45-man squad. A dozen are juniors and 28 either personally picked sophomores or transfers.

**DON KACHTIK, A&M**  
fullback, provides Aggies  
with good offensive power.



**FRED BROUSSARD, Texas**  
Aggies center, pivots vet  
line for new coach Bryant.



Fullback Henry Moore, who proved last year as a sophomore that he can play a lot of football both offensively and defensively, looks like the outstanding back. However, a pair of sophomores, George Walker, who'll operate from the tailback position on the Single-Wing, and Ronnie Underwood, blocking back, may take the spotlight.

Bud Brooks, 200-pound senior guard, will almost surely be the leader of the line.

Coaches George Cole, Dick Hitt, George Cafego, John Bailey and Le Roy Pearce will again form Wyatt's staff.

**TEXAS A&M**—Can seven new coaches offset the loss of one first class quarterback? That's the question at College Station where Paul (Bear) Bryant and six assistants (most of whom were with him at Kentucky) have taken over from Ray George (resigned) and staff. Don Ellis is the graduated quarterback. His versatile brilliance defeated Kentucky, Georgia, TCU and Oklahoma A&M and tied Houston in 1953 before the shorthanded Aggies weakened enough to lose their last five games.

Except for Ellis, the Aggies under Bryant will have about the same amount and class of material as George had. The 1953 line will be back practically intact. Fullback will be stronger and the halfback posts will be equally well manned.

Seventeen lettermen were among the 104 eager candidates who greeted Bryant the first day of a belated Spring practice. Those lettermen and 23 others were still there at the end of the off-season drills. With a gentle but firm hand, Bryant brushed off the unpromising. Fourteen of the 40 left are seniors; 13 juniors and 20 sophomores.

Bennie Sinclair, an exceptional end, and Norbert Ohlendorf, a tough tackle, are co-captains. Those two, plus Fred Broussard, center; Lawrence Winkler, tackle; Sid Theriot, Marvin Tate and Ray Barrett, guards; and Bill Schroeder, end; will be the lettermen who carry most of the line responsibility. Bobby Lockett, 215, is the only sophomore likely to give the veteran linemen trouble.

Fullbacks Don Kachtik and Bob Easley will be back to give that position punch. Helping them will be a fine sophomore: Jack Pardee. Don Watson, sophomore, has a chance to win the starting left half assignment from Billy Pete Huddleston who was sensational at times last season. Joe Boring, Bobby Drake Keith and Charley Hall are likely to share left half. Elwood Kettler, Joe Schero and Charley Scott are the three leading candidates for Ellis' job. *(As we went to press, Huddleston; Schroeder; tackle Norb Ohlendorf and guard Ray Barrett were suspended until 1955.)*

#### BORDER CONFERENCE

**TEXAS TECH**—Coach DeWitt Weaver has lost 16 lettermen, including seven first stringers, from the highest scoring (452 points) force in college football in 1953, but there is a fair chance the Red Raiders of Lubbock on the South Plains will be just as potent in 1954. With luck at the halfbacks, the team could be stronger than the one that swept



**JERRY WALKER**, All-Border Conference tackle as soph, is set to open gaps for Texas Tech backs.



**JACK KIRKPATRICK**, loop's MVP in '53, once again will direct Red Raiders' Split-T attack.

to a 11-1 record. The one loss was to Texas A&M against whom the Raiders open the '54 season.

Gone are halfback Bobby Cavazos, the leading scorer (80 points); guard Don Gray, tackle Jimmy Williams, guard Ray Howard, ends Paul Erwin and Vic Spooner and halfback Don Lewis (four of them All-Conference and all of them regulars on the team that won the Border championship and then crushed the best in the Southeast, Auburn, in the Gator Bowl); but returning are 14 seniors, 21 juniors and 13 sophomores, only 23 of whom won letters. In addition, there'll be some freshmen, who are still being allowed to participate in intercollegiate athletics in the Border Conference.

Considering both ability and depth, quarterback, the tackles and guards will be the strongest spots. Co-captain Jerry Johnson and the brilliant young Jack Kirkpatrick will share with sophomore letterman Buddy Hill the driver's seat of Weaver's new Split-T machine. Jerry Walker, who is rated All-America timber, and Bill Herchman, a transfer from Tyler Junior College, form the first brace of tackles. Co-Captain Howard Hurt heads a group of sturdy, quick-hitting guards. Kirkpatrick was winner of the Border Conference's most valuable player award, and Walker was All-Conference player in '53.

Fullback Jim Sides, left halfback Rick Spinks, end Claude Harland and right halfback Ronnie Herr are proven hands.

One incoming freshman who may crash the starting backfield is R. V. Allcorn.





**PAUL HATCHER** gets his coach's call as sure-fire All-America bet in role of center for Arizona.



**TOMMY GRIMES**, Arizona tailback, is also talented kicker with 35.9 yards average last Fall.

Greatest threat to Raiders is psychological: their own attitude and that of their opponents, who will surely point for Tech.

Weaver, who was voted "Southwestern of the Year" by Texas Sportswriters Association, lost assistants Wade Walker and Bob Kellog to Mississippi State and signed Dee Andros and Beattie Feathers of Oklahoma, Tennessee and pro fame.

**UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA**—With the forthright statement that his Wildcats will be "much stronger," Coach Warren Woodson has established Arizona as the best bet to break the winning streak of the Texas Tech Raiders within the Conference. The veteran coach doesn't forecast a victory over the Raiders. On the contrary, he rates them his toughest opponent and says Arizona will probably lose three of 10 games.

Arizona lost 12 lettermen from its 1953 squad, but will have 18 returnees on a 60-man squad. Thirteen are seniors, 14 juniors, 12 sophomores and 21 freshmen.

Ernest Lewis, tackle, and Glenn Bowers, guard, have been named captains.

Quarterback Barry Bleakley, fullback Don Beasley and halfback Art Luppino are expected to set the pace in the ball-moving department. Tommy Grimes, 5-8 tailback, is a talented PAT man who led the Wildcat kickers with a 35.9 yards average.

Outstanding linemen are tackle Ernest Lewis, a letterman, and Paul Hatcher, center and guard. The latter is also the outstanding first-year man.

Coach Woodson, who is a conservative man, says: "Paul Hatcher is of All-America caliber and probably our best player. He came out of the Navy and enrolled with us in January, 1954. Plays offensive center and defensive guard. He is the first man I have coached whom I have recommended for All-America selection without hesitation. Paul is 6-2 and weighs 210. He is quick and fast. He was All-Navy for three straight years."

**TEXAS WESTERN**—Coach Mike Brumbelow's fine spirited Miners aren't expected to do as well in '54 as in '53. But, for that matter, they did better in '53 than expected. They won eight of 10 games and then crushed Mississippi Southern (conqueror of Alabama and scourge of the deep South), 30-6, in the Sun Bowl.

Only eight of the 33 players who earned letters in '53 have been lost, but with the departed group was the heart of the fine passing attack that made the Miners winners.

"Our running attack and our defense should be about as good this Fall as last year," says the coach, "but our passing will be much weaker."

If his 10 seniors, 12 juniors and 13 freshmen win six of the 10 games on the schedule they will fulfill their normal potential, says Brumbelow.

Bob Laya, right guard, will captain the team. Noel McCormick, fullback, and Billy Medart, left end, will be co-captains.

Quarterback Jesse Whittenton and left halfback Bobby Coleman are expected to be the best backs; Jim Johnson, left guard, Laya and Kenneth George, right tackle, the top hands in the line. Coleman and George are sophomores.

**HARDIN-SIMMONS**—Coach Murray Evans, starting his third season at Abilene, will have 19 of 30 lettermen returning, but because six of the 11 men lost were regulars, the Cowboys do not figure to be a top challenger for the championship. Larry Cunningham, Sam Baugh, Bill Scott and Harold Barrett will again assist Evans.

John Henry Lyle is first choice to replace quarterback Dee Windsor in the Wing-T formation, but Gene Saur who lettered as a freshman in '53 and Norbert Van Dinter are close behind. Last year Rodney (Hot Rod) Williams and Danny Villarreal were both tailbacks. During Spring training, Williams was moved to fullback. The change promised to give the Pokes a strong running game with the best one-two punch since 1942 when Doc Mobley and Camp Wilson led the Nation. Williams is an up-the-middle power while Villarreal is an outside runner.

Johnny Crumpler, Joel Combs, Charles Massegee, K. Y. Owens, Jack Collins, Ray Cleckler and Marshall Duke are other promising backs.

Kenneth Ford, All-State Breckenridge quarterback who tossed 50 touchdown passes in three years, is a promising freshman. Kenneth is the younger brother of John (Model T) Ford, famed Cowboy passing ace now assistant coach at Arizona.

Strong tackles will help the line. John Waede-

kin, a 6-5, 270-pounder plus the veterans Buddy Nail and David Nelson will fortify those positions. Center Sam Walker and end Jim Flaming are other promising forwards.

**ARIZONA STATE COLLEGE AT TEMPE**—The Sun Devils could be the surprise team of the Conference. Coach Clyde Smith's squad is heavily laden with sophomores. A short four-game conference schedule may either help or hurt the Devils' chances of regaining the title which they won in 1952. They will not play Texas Tech, generally rated the strongest conference team, nor New Mexico A & M, probably the weakest.

Coach Smith will continue to employ versions of the T and Split-T attack, but will change to operate his defense from an unbalanced line.

The Sun Devils will rely heavily on the running of Jim Bilton, senior right halfback, and Jay Smith, senior fullback. Danny Arredondo, flashy running halfback, and Dick Apolitano, fullback, are two of the sophomores who will help carry the load. Quarterback Dick Mackey will be back to direct the attack along with a pair of sophomores, Tom Burken and Jack Muraca.

A big but relatively inexperienced line will be anchored by the redoubtable John Jankans who will be striving to make All-Conference for the third consecutive year. As a freshman, Jankans was a tackle; last year he was a guard and in '54 he is at center.

Coach Smith lettered 40 men at the end of last season and 30 of them are expected back.

**WEST TEXAS STATE**—The Buffaloes of Canyon are confident they will be considerably improved over last year when they lost eight of 10 games. Coach Frank Kimbrough and his assistants, Clark Jarnagin, Borden Price and Hatcher Brown, lettered only 16 men after the '53 season, and nine are back. The squad of 50 men is composed predominantly of youngsters; 22 sophomores and about 18 freshmen. There are seven seniors and four juniors.

Quarterback Bubba Hillman, fullback R. L. Rhoten and halfback Joe Walden are counted upon to lead the team's offense. Outstanding linemen are center Tommy Powell and guard Jack Vantrease.

**NEW MEXICO A&M**—Coach Jim Patton, who took over the Aggies at State College shortly before the 1953 season when Joe Coleman resigned, expects to have a stronger team this year than the one that finished with a 2-7 record in '53. Harvey Gabrel, backfield, and Waldo Shaaf, line, will again be the assistant coaches.

Twelve of the 19 players who were awarded letters in 1953 were among the 50 players reporting. There are 12 seniors, 12 juniors, 8 sophomores and 18 freshmen.

Gary Walton, 195-pound fullback, Jim Branstetter, 190-pound right halfback, and Jim Bradley, left halfback, will spearhead the offense. Out-

standing linemen are expected to be Drew Christie, 210, guard; Clebe Wicker, 220, center; and Dick Calopton, 230, tackle. Brightest prospects among the newcomers are Leon Griffin, tackle; Frank Steele and Daryl Curran, ends.

#### INDEPENDENTS

**ABILENE CHRISTIAN**—Coach Garvin (Beech) Beauchamp of the Wildcats believes he'll have a stronger team than in 1953 when he finished with a 7-3 mark, but, because his team will play a tougher schedule as an independent than as a member of the Texas Conference, he forecasts a slightly less successful (6-4) season.

Only seven lettermen were lost between seasons and 26 are due to return. Of the 40 players scheduled to report, seven are seniors, 11 juniors, eight sophomores and the rest freshmen.

Right halfback Jimmy Hirth is potentially the Cats' hottest back, but quarterback Leondous Fry, sophomore fullbacks Paul Good and Gene Boyd are warm numbers, too.

Von Morgan, end, and tackles Haskell Sinclair and James Cobbs are counted on to make the line solid.

The Church of Christ school, which draws students from many parts of the nation, withdrew from the Texas Conference in order to expand the scope of its athletic operations.

**AUSTIN COLLEGE**—The Presbyterian school at



**JIM JOHNSON**, 210-pound veteran left guard, ranks among top in Texas Western forward wall.



**JESSE WHITTENTON**, versatile Texas Western back, takes over signal-calling job for Miners.



Sherman, which switched from a policy of de-emphasis and withdrew from the Texas Conference, expects to have a materially stronger team. In his second season as leader of the Kangaroos, Coach Harry Buffington will start with 19 lettermen, having lost only four from his '53 squad that had a 7-3-1 season.

The sizzling halfbacks, James Self and Don Hules, each of whom scored 11 touchdowns last season, will again lead the attack back of such exceptional linemen as center Jack Taylor, tackle Ed Gillum and end Charles Bons. Outstanding prospect is fullback Gene Babb, a sophomore.

#### GULF COAST CONFERENCE

**TRINITY UNIVERSITY**—The Tigers, who displayed sharp improvement last year under Coach W. A. McElreath to win the Gulf Coast Conference Championship and end the season with a fine 8-1 record, will be just as potent in '54. Only eight lettermen were lost and 16 are returning. Still the team will be a year away from its peak with eight seniors, 19 juniors and 10 sophomores.

Alvin Beal, quarterback, and James Bullard, guard, are co-captains. Odis Michalk, Jack Hayes, George Jageman, Duke Cook, Bill Fraley and Bobby Beal are other outstanding veterans. Johnny Campbell, Charles Dees and Connie Wright are outstanding rookies.

Trinity's No. 1 boy is likely to be Alvin Beal, 165-pound quarterback. He is an outstanding field

general, a sound all-around football player and an extraordinary passer. He won honors at Waco High School and at Tyler Junior College and made the All-Navy squad while in service in 1951. Since enrolling at Trinity in '52, he has earned two letters and has twice been mentioned in Little All-America selections. Although injuries sidelined him for half of the '53 season, Beal was the Tigers' total offense leader. He gained 806 yards passing and 64 running. His passes were good for 11 touchdowns. He was one of the leading punters in the Nation, averaging 41.9 yards on 18 punts.

**NORTH TEXAS STATE**—Although they play another double tough schedule, the Eagles of Denton expect, with reason, to have a much better season than in '53 when they finished with a 3-6-1 record. Coach Odus Mitchell has a considerably stronger team although he lost 16 lettermen. He has far more speed and greater depth than last year. The weight average, however, is down. Eighteen lettermen return; 8 seniors, 6 juniors and 4 sophs.

Outstanding backs will be Dean Renfro, halfback, Gene Bahnsen, fullback, and Don Baker, quarterback. Best prospects among the linemen are Charles Laine and Ray Verkerk, tackles, and Charles McGinty, an end. Brightest prospects among the newcomers are John Snead, halfback, Curtis True, center, Ludie Bitner, guard, and a pair of ends, Ernest Winfrey and Dennis Shaw.

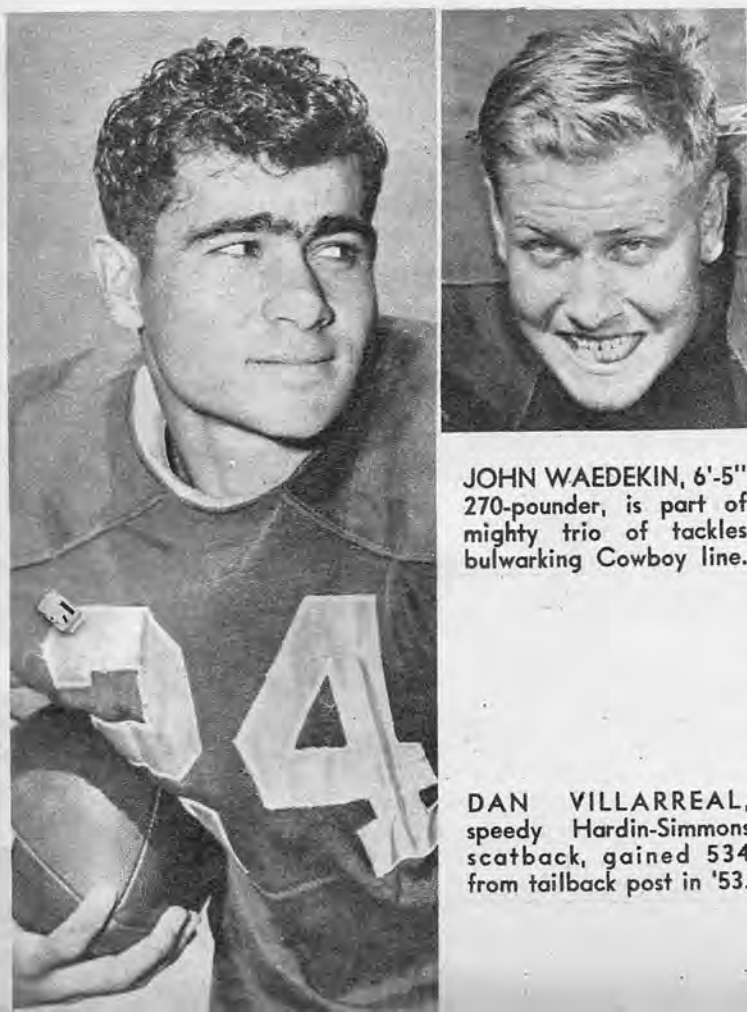
**MIDWESTERN**—Coach Joseph J. Saitta believes that his second year team at Wichita Falls may do considerably better than the 1953 squad that finished with a 2-8-1 record. Spirit was much better during Spring practice. Twenty-eight of the 39 men who lettered in '53 return and the squad is probably richer in determination to win. Midwestern is de-emphasizing the policy of using junior college transfers and is rebuilding with freshmen recruited from high schools.

Choyce Hall, center, Bobby Patrick, fullback, and Cletus Schenk, guard, will share responsibilities of co-captains. Along with Patrick, E. J. Webb, Jerry Fouts, Ed Beach and Darrell Wilson are the leading backs. Bill Ramsey, guard, Hall and Schenk are the outstanding linemen.

#### LONE STAR CONFERENCE

**EAST TEXAS STATE TEACHERS**—The Lions of Commerce are considerably weaker than in the three previous seasons when they ran up the longest undefeated streak (30 games) in collegiate football, but they are still favored to win the championship of their conference. They have lost their old coach, Milburn (Catfish) Smith, his assistant, Cecil Pirkey, and 14 of the 28 lettermen who ended the last season with a 7-7 tie against Arkansas State in the Tangerine Bowl. J. V. (Siki) Sikes and Don Fambrough from the University of Kansas compose the new staff and will use the Split-T offense.

Spring training indicated that East Texas needs



**JOHN WAEDEKIN**, 6'-5" 270-pounder, is part of mighty trio of tackles bulwarking Cowboy line.

**DAN VILLARREAL**, speedy Hardin-Simmons scatback, gained 534 from tailback post in '53.



DICK MACKEY, Tempe quarterback, hands off to fullback JAY SMITH (R) during Sun Devil drill.



JOHN JANKANS centers green Arizona State line in bid for 3rd All-Border honor in new line post.



DEAN RENFRO, No. Texas State halfback, figures as standout in Eagles' bid to soar in Gulf Coast.

ALVIN BEAL, top-flight field general, is No. 1 reason Trinity expects to repeat in Gulf Coast loop.



strength at end, center and at halfback if she is to win more than half her games. Sikes expects to have pretty rough going early but feels that he has a fair chance to get better results in the later conference games. He has 6 seniors, 7 juniors, 14 sophomores and about 25 freshmen on his squad.

Quarterback Bobby Fox, halfback Billy Ray Norris and fullback Jerry Lytle are expected to be the outstanding offensive stars. Line strength concentrated around Larry Camp, guard, and a rugged pair of tackles, George Hartman and Bob Lundy. Best prospects among the newcomers are a pair of halfbacks, George Fisher and James Sweeney.

Edwin Cason and Bill Dodd, freshmen guards; tackle Norman Jett, a transfer from TCU; halfbacks George Fisher, Jim Sweeney, Gene Marshall and Gene Thompson gave especially good accounts of themselves in spring drills.

**SAM HUSTON STATE COLLEGE**—The Bearkats and Huntsville under Coaches Paul E. Pierce and Jim Spruill finished just a step behind the conference champions last season with a fine 9-1 record, so 1954 may find them breaking the monopoly which the East Texas Lions have held for the last three years.

Coach Pierce lost 17 lettermen including some of his best hands, but will have 17 returning and with luck, may produce a team just as good as the one which beat College of Idaho in the Refrigerator Bowl.

The Bearkat offense will be instrumented by quarterback Allen Bosken, halfbacks Bobby Baldwin and Benny Boles and fullback Dick Gaines. Bosken, 6-3 and 210 pounds, is rated a great passer. Baldwin, 185, is rated an extraordinary runner with both power and speed. Boles, 165, does the 100 in 9.9. Gaines is a stocky 205-pounder.

The outstanding linemen are tackles Earl Gertsenberger and Melvin Harrison. Gertsenberger, who stands 6-3 and weighs 260, is rated a top candidate for Little All-America.

**SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE**—The Bobcats of San Marcos will again be a power among the state colleges of the Southwest. R. W. Parker, Jr., brother of the Detroit Lions' Buddy Parker, has replaced Milton Jowers as coach. With only six lettermen lost from the stout 1953 team, 14 experienced players are among the 10 seniors, 13 juniors, 16 sophomores and approximately 15 freshmen who reported to the new pilot.

Quarterback, center and the ends were the positions given most attention in Spring training. Replacing Little All-America Pence Dacus as the man under in the T formation will be difficult, but Harold White, Sam Howard or Bobby McBride may do a satisfactory job. Fullback Ed Schmeltkopf and halfback Bob Graham are the best prospects among other backs. Tackle Buzzy Allert and guard Gene Hanks appear to be the outstanding linemen.

Elon Baker, Bill Dumas and Harold Boenig are



the leading candidates for the center job relinquished by All-Conference Harvey Bruner.

**LAMAR STATE**—In his second year as head coach at the College of Technology in Beaumont, J. B. Higgins Jr. has a much stronger Cardinal squad than in '53 when three games were won. He expects to win six or more in '54.

Half of the 20 players who lettered in '53 were lost and only four of the returning 23 squad men are seniors, but 9 juniors, 10 sophomores and 23 freshmen, including junior college transfers, are expected to give the Cardinals added punch. Sammy Carpenter, Weldon Syme and Raymond Meyer are the leading backfield contestants. Delmer Turner, end, and a pair of tackles, Charles Thomas and Billy Dean Silva, appear best of the linemen. One outstanding first year prospect is another tackle, Ferman Tullos.

**SUL ROSS STATE**—The Scarlet and Gray Lobos of Alpine, Texas, may be a serious challenger for the Lone Star championship. In his second year, Coach Al Milch expects to be much stronger. He has 22 returning lettermen on a squad of 55 players. Only nine lettermen were lost. The team, however, is young, having only three seniors and eight juniors. Sixteen sophomores carry the major part of the load with the help of 20 freshmen.

Leaders among the backs are Norman Cash, full, who led the conference in rushing last year; Ray McGregor, tailback, who was the third ground gainer in the league; Jim Skinner, quarter, and Cliff Burnett, halfback. The latter is also the hottest of the first year prospects. Outstanding linemen are Ed Berridge, tackle, Russell McMeans, guard, and Royce Mullins, end. Charles Ward, end, is a freshman likely to strengthen the wings.

Eight of the starting Lobos, including all of the backs were freshmen last year and they are all returning along with several outstanding junior college transfers.

**STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE**—The Lumberjacks of Nacogdoches won only one game last season, but with 20 lettermen returning, Coach Ted Jefferies has reason for believing that this year's team will do better. Seven lettermen were lost. Of those returning, three are seniors, six juniors and 11 sophomores. Nearly half of the 60 players are freshmen and junior college transfers.

Bailey Marshall, Johnny Linney, Herman Hendrix and Clyde McAuliffe are the most promising backs. Stars of the line are likely to be Sherwood Barker, Buck Youngblood, Bill Blakely and Gaylen Crawford.

**TEXAS ARTS AND INDUSTRIES**—The Javelinas of the young State school of Kingsville stepped up in company between seasons. They moved from the Texas Conference, where they shared a triple tie for the championship, into the company of five other State colleges. They changed coaches, too. The veteran Dewey Mayhew moved into the phys-

ical education department. Young Gil Steinke, formerly of Texas A&M, became both athletic director and head coach.

Steinke, with 26 returning lettermen, had a successful Spring training and is optimistic about the coming season if he secures the 15 freshmen he has in his sights.

Halfback William Putnam and quarterback-halfback Kenneth Wilhite are due to be the main cogs of the attack while Johnny McCampbell, end, is the most prominent man on the line. Brightest first year prospect looms as Weldon Sceliger, halfback.

## TEXAS CONFERENCE

**McMURRY COLLEGE**—The Indians of Abilene, who tied for the championship of their conference in 1953 while compiling an 8-1-1 record, should be stronger in '54. But, they play a harder schedule. Coach Wilford Moore lost only five of 27 lettermen and has a squad of 50 men composed of 10 seniors, 10 juniors, 17 sophomores and 13 freshmen. He has an exceptionally fine running halfback in Bill Atkins and a tough power runner in fullback Elroy Payne. Quarterback Joe B. Fox, halfback Otis Ratliff and fullback John Patterson are other standout offensive hands.

W. T. Stapler, 6-1, 208-pound guard, is rated by Moore as one of the finest linemen he has coached. Tackle Grant Teaff and a pair of ends, Tommy Watkins and Ezra Corley, will bolster the line.

**HOWARD PAYNE**—Guy Gardner, the young coach who took over last year and did better than anyone expected, has 18 returning lettermen at the Baptist school at Brownwood. Only seven lettermen were lost. He expects, with reason, to have a stronger team and make a better record.

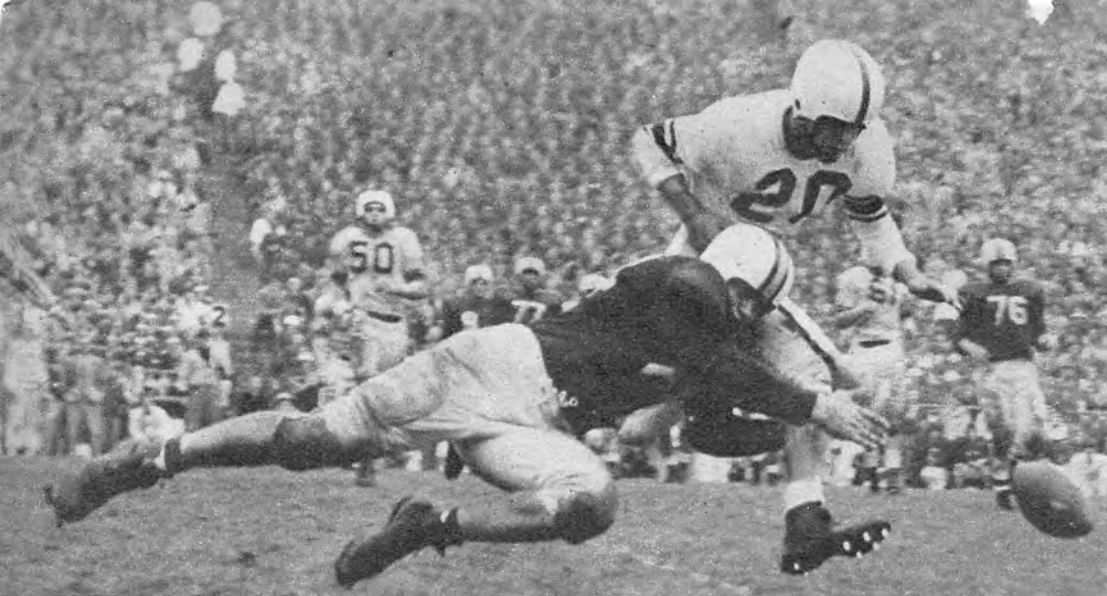
Quarterback Jerry Millsaps and fullback Curtiss Cozby will be the chief stingers among the Yellow Jackets. Tackle Joe James and center Robert Beal are most formidable of the men up front.

Only three of the 40 squad members are seniors. Eight are juniors and 22 sophomores.

**EASTERN NEW MEXICO**—The Greyhounds of Portales have moved their athletic membership from the New Mexico Conference to the faster company of the Texas Conference. The decision was made a year ago, but the change did not become effective until the Spring of 1954.

Coach Al D. Garten expects to have about the same strength team which bowed to McMurry, 6-25, during a season that produced five victories and five defeats. The Hounds lost 18 lettermen and have only six seniors and four juniors among the returning 12, but with better adjustment to the one platoon system, they can be as strong. Prior to last year, when they tied for second place, the Hounds had won or tied for four straight championships.

Quarterback Bill Engman, fullback Frank Gage and halfback Buster Hodges are expected to move the ball best this Fall. And a pair of ends, Ben Taylor and Don Ashcraft, should be standouts.



#### STREET AND SMITH'S FOOTBALL

CECIL INGRAM (20), Tide back, and John Bowersox of Maryland futilely dive for earthbound aerial in clash at College Park, Md., which saw Alabama crushed 21-0 by Terps.

HUGH PEPPER, Mississippi Southern ace, makes famous cut-on-a-dime to elude Bob Clemens (left) and Joe O'Malley (53) in stunning 14-0 upset win over Georgia last year.



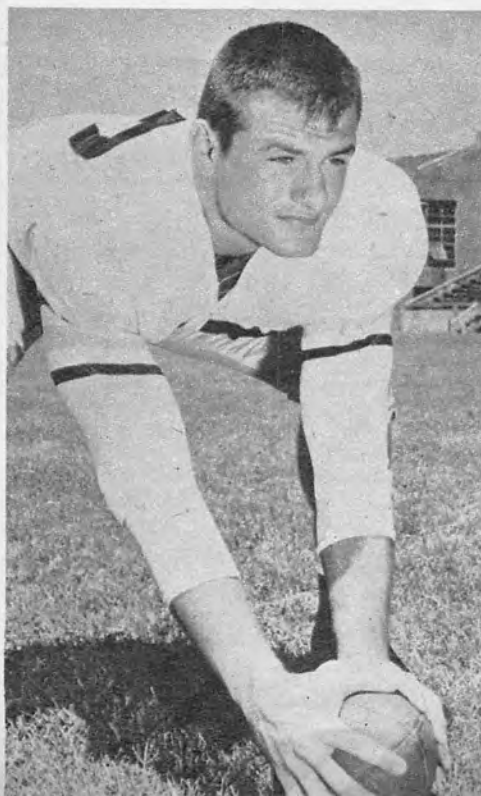
WADE MITCHELL, Georgia Tech quarterback, was top frosh safety in SEC.



LARRY MORRIS, All-America center and one of top line-backers, is Tech captain.



PAUL ROTENBERRY, one of great soph trio, is set to star in Engineer backfield.



HENRY HAIR, Tech wing, snared 13 tosses for 154 yards and 2 tallies in '53.





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# Deep South

## GEORGIA TECH RIGHT BACK AFTER ANOTHER HECTIC SEC STRUGGLE

### PREDICTION

#### Southeastern Conference

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|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Georgia Tech    | 7. Mississippi State |
| 2. Alabama         | 8. Florida           |
| 3. Mississippi     | 9. Kentucky          |
| 4. Auburn          | 10. Georgia          |
| 5. Tennessee       | 11. Vanderbilt       |
| 6. Louisiana State | 12. Tulane           |

#### Independents

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| Miami       | Louisville    |
| Mississippi | Florida State |
| Southern    | Memphis State |

**T**HE Southeastern Conference is a snake-pit addicted to the type of form which surrounded the altercation between David and Goliath. One of the toughest leagues in football, it is well balanced and fame will never be more difficult to earn than it is this time around.

On the last day of the Southeastern's most recent season, it was possible for any one of seven clubs to take it all. In the first half dozen games, there had been an average difference in score of only six points.

And the scramble may be even more hectic, for, after years of playing a carpet role, Auburn has become a solid factor and refuses to be pushed around. For the rest, most of the big names are still big with Georgia Tech, Alabama and Mississippi forecast to fight it out with Auburn driving hard along the rail. Tennessee, usually the team to beat, seems too weak in the line to make a successful run but Florida is a dark horse which may bear watching.

Louisiana State might be potent if its schedule weren't so craggy and the rest seem rather well strung up the track. Mississippi State can be dangerous until its thin ranks run out of momentum, but Georgia has fallen from what was once a high estate while Kentucky seems too light and shallow. Most folks believe that Vanderbilt and Tulane are definitely out of it.

### SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

**GEORGIA TECH**—The touchdown Engineers seem ready to begin where they left off after scattering the innards of West Virginia all over the Sugar Bowl. This in spite of 10 rather key types who have floated out to sea on the graduation tide. Gone are such spectacular characters as Leon Hardeman, the All-America halfback; Pepper Rogers, best of

the Sugar Bowl lot; fullback Glenn Turner, of the All-America blocking team.

But most devastating are the loss of little-known tackles Frank Givens; Ed Gossage, Roger Frey and Bob Sherman—this because of inadequate replacements.

Yet Tech lost even more valued muscle in 1953 and produced a team which was just short of the Southeastern Conference championship. And stout smiters return with blood in their eyes and the dried gore of the enemy still adhering to their knuckles.

One is All-America Larry Morris who made 96 unassisted tackles in 1953 and is one of the grandest line-backers of all time. Stir in junior guard Squinch Brooks—fellow Coach Bobby Dodd describes as "the hardest man I have ever seen to fool or block out of a play." Then there is halfback Billy Teas, a brilliant broken-field runner and pass receiver—a tremendous returner of punts.

Also we deal with three gentlemen up from the freshmen—spear-bearers all of whom were named on the high school All-America. Reference is made to Paul Rotenberry, a back of explosive power and great range; quarterback Wade Mitchell, who is a sensational safetyman and excellent passer; and brutal Carl Vereen, a 231-pound tackle with exceptional agility. Don't sell Tech short.

**ALABAMA**—A lot of well-informed folks believe the Red Elephants will take it all. But the Alabamans have to put their best hoof forward and there is already some doubt concerning a defense which was depressingly porous in Spring sweats. The offense, however, might be a few odd knocks superior to the one which racked up the league laurel last year.

Chief all-the-way threat is Corky Tharp, fleet character whom SEC coaches called the best runner in their particular social circle of 1953. He has gained more than 600 yards in each of the two most recent campaigns, but the Cork will need aid at right half. Bobby Luna and Cecil Ingram will split up left half which returns intact. Both are solid senders, especially Ingram, who led the nation in interceptions.

Fullback is a problem, for Bill Stone is the only veteran back and he still winces from Korean shrapnel wounds. But at his best, he can be one of the very best.

Ed Culpepper, a 243-pound mauler, is the only letterman at right tackle, but he's big enough and



**BART STARR**, 'Bama field general, topped conference with 8 scoring passes.



**SID YOUNGEMAN**, Tide tackle, represents senior savvy in strong line group.



**REX BOGGAN**, All-Service tackle in Marines, returns to Ole Miss.



**BOBBY McCOOL**, fullback, scored 7 td's and was 6th in SEC in rushing.

tough enough to play it alone. The other side is well manned by Sid Youngelman at 237 and George Mason at 219.

Center is much weaker but there is good cheer at quarterback where Bart Starr holds forth with a passing arm which rolled up 870 yards on 59 completions and a foot which averaged 41.4 yards per punt. The guy is also a distinguished runner.

But the Elephants may use most of 41 sophomores, more than in years, and it must be noted that five of 13 departing letterman were starters.

**MISSISSIPPI**—If Coach John Vaught can find the reasonable facsimile of an All-Conference quarterback, he is going to be a tough man to shave—this in spite of losses which might easily have discouraged the late Stonewall Jackson.

For gone with diplomas at right-shoulder-arms are Crawford Mims, All-America guard; Ed Beatty, center and No. 1 draft choice of the Los Angeles Rams; Lea Paslay, the regular quarterback, plus six others.

On the brighter side, Ole Miss welcomes Rex Boggan, a Marine who was All-Service tackle and the Navy's most valuable. This one is six-four, 235 pounds, is card-sharp quick and no easier to deal with than a grizzly with an impacted wisdom tooth.

Slick McCool is a thunder-footed 195-pound fullback of great speed and power plus sound defensive functions. He netted 564 yards last year and he's only a junior. Blended in the Ole Miss outside-inside thrusting is young Earl Blair who dusts through the 100 in 9.8, a velocity matched by Johnny Barber, a 183-pound halfback who can block.

Red Muirhead, the lusty half, is 10-flat and Jimmy Patton, another half, 10.2. Pepper Thomas runs through a broken field with marvelous agility

and Paige Cothren is a big short-step fullback who changes direction at dazzling speed. Eagle Day, Houston Patton and Johnny Blalack battle for quarterback where the latter is least experienced, but vastly talented.

Ray James and Buddy Alliston, who will play guard and back the line; Gene Dubuisson at center, and the raging Boggan anchor a rather useful wall.

A few kindly clicks and the Rebels can do it.

**AUBURN**—During his three seasons of sweat, blood and tears, Ralph Jordan has wielded a busy trowel, hammer and saw—has rebuilt so shrewdly that lots of double-domes think Auburn will do no worse than third this year. And it is simple to reveal that the plaintive Plainsmen won two of 10 starts in 1952—lost two of 10 and tied one in 1953.

And, for the most part, these Plainsmen are a young lot—tough and agile and hungry for fame. Jim Pyburn, for illustrious example, is a junior and Coach Ralph refers to him as "the best I ever saw." Against Mississippi State, he caught three consecutive passes in the last two minutes to tie it up. He snared 25 during the entire season.

There are only nine seniors on the team and one is quarterback Bobby Freeman, who was defensive back. He gained 944 yards—341 along the grass-roots and 603 through the air. He ran a punt back 95 yards through Georgia and is a thoroughly nice young man to have around.

George Atkins is a guard of gigantic possibilities. At 198 pounds, he intercepted a Clemson pass and rolled 68 yards into the end zone. Excessively fleet, he blocked a Mississippi State punt and lateraled to Pyburn who scored. Then there is 225-pound Frank D'Agostino at tackle; and halfback Dave Middleton, who weighs 195 and runs the 100 in 9.8—the 220 in 21.5; burning fast Fob James, who led the Southeastern with a rushing average of 6.7



yards; and Jack Locklear, the murderous line-backer.

**TENNESSEE**—The Orange Ogres are faced with the somewhat vexing task of going gaudy places with a stout-hearted running attack complicated by an alarming paucity of punch up front. Jimmy Wade, Bobby Bringle and Pat Oleksiak form up as a triumvirate of classic tailbacks off the Tennessee Single-Wing, for they blend speed and power and passing in pleasing proportion.

Tom Tracy is a crushing fullback, but elusive as a smoke-ring once he attains the scattered field, but there is a dull ache at wing and blocking back—two sectors which have been slashed to the bone (and then some) by graduation. Bill Barbish, a superior blocker and line-backer, has deserted the latter post while Jerry Hyde, a wingback who could fly, went along in the exchange of pigskin for that of the sheep. Mack Franklin and Roger Rotroff, two superb ends, left deep cavities.

But there are cheerful notes. John Majors, a shifty character, is up from the freshmen with all three offensive skills. Edd Cantrell is a sophomore end of which much will be heard. And if veteran center Lamar Leachman's knee fails to rid itself of its miseries, Charley Scholes, a shank-chilling sophomore, may play the post.

But the squad is the most inexperienced in recent Tennessee history. There are only eight seniors around and this could be a rather long season.

**LOUISIANA STATE**—The Bayou Bengals are once more exposing their front fangs to a schedule which would awe the Detroit Lions. Texas, Alabama, Kentucky, Georgia Tech, Texas Tech, Florida, Ole Miss, Mississippi State, Arkansas, Tulane—stuff like that. And you can't do much against a

war listing such as that—nothing but your best.

And Louisiana State is equipped with a number of young men who do nothing else. One of these is Sid Fournet, a raging lion of tackle at 225 pounds. Moving faster than a night-club dollar and cursed with a vast inhumanity for man, he operates viciously at all speeds and his coaches testify that he is the best lineman in these United States.

Then there is Lou Deutschmann, a sophomore fullback weighing 230 pounds. Against Ole Miss last season, he intercepted a pass and carried it 78 scoring yards. And all the way he was hounded by a cloud of sprinters who couldn't gain a stride. Power-plus, too.

Al Doggett is a superb senior quarterback who earned All-Conference brackets last year and Joe Tuminello is a junior end who may go all the way to All-America rating. Win Turner is an All-State quarterback who seems ready to emerge from the shell with explosive power while Enos Parker, a belligerent 210-pound guard, is up from the freshmen.

Heaviest graduation losses have riddled the backfield and taken along such block-busters as Jerry Marchand, George Brancato and Charley Oakley—fellows who can't be replaced at the dime-store.

Tough group, but so is that schedule.

**MISSISSIPPI STATE**—Young Darrell Royal is preparing to get his feet wet (or possibly only damp), for this is his first season as a head coach and he's an almost complete stranger to the Southeastern Conference.

To further complicate matters, he'll have to get along without Jackie Parker, the All-America quarterback.

But Master Royal is not without hope and a great deal of it is engendered by the muscles of

**TOM TRACY**, crashing Vols fullback, is slated to power the backfield.



**PAT OLEKSIK** blends speed and power essential in top Tennessee tailback.



**BOBBY FREEMAN**, Auburn quarterback, ranked 2nd in SEC player poll.



**JIM PYBURN**, Auburn end, is labeled one of school's greatest ends.



Harold Easterwood, a fellow his coaches describe as the best center now in collegiate business; halfback Art Davis, two thunderous fulls in the persons of Charley Evans and George Suda plus a really fine quarterback named Bobby Collins. This last one is emerging from the dense shadow of Parker and he's expected to glitter in Saturday afternoon suns.

The freshman class is being rather productive with Ronnie Bennett, a large end who is equally adept at halfback; Jimmy Bain, the Passing Parson who threw a pair of touchdown spirals against the Alabama freshmen; and Don Conkle, a 222-pound tackle whose identical twin, Ronnie, plays the same position for the Maroon Bulldogs.

Collins and Bain will throw most and Bobby did all right last year with seven completions of 13 throws. Davis is a fine receiver as well as runner and will divide overland chores with Lou Venier, the fullbacks and Joe Silveri, a 198-pound half.

**FLORIDA**—The gleeful 'Gators return to the wars jammed with vitamins and school spirit, but a trifle short on speed and know-how. The middle of the line suffered severely through graduation, for there are only three lettered tackles and two guards still in business.

There is a deal of lusty experience at end, but nothing in the nature of Don Hutson and pass reception will be a problem. Senior Jerry Bilyk is a potent defender at the flank and so is Ray Brown, a bulking junior. Charles Manning is the last end left over from the two-platoon era while George Sarris and Welton Lockhart round out a sound crew.

Quarterback is also packed with savvy, for there are three lettermen prepared for duty. Bobby Lance spearheads the attack and, though he's rather brittle, he averaged 6.5 yards against Ten-

nessee last year and completed three of five passes. Fred Robinson is a fine ball handler and has hooked up with 38 passes for 519 yards in two campaigns. Harry Speers completes the quarterback corps and he's a fine signal caller and pitcher.

Steve DeLaTorre, at center, was Florida's best lineman of 1953 and he's a shattering tackler. At 220 pounds and six-two, Joe Brodsky is an exceptional fullback with startling early speed.

This group, blended with a fine sophomore crop composed of Bobby Burford, a sound end; Buster Hill, a bruising tackle, form up as a club which can be awfully dangerous.

**KENTUCKY**—Blanton Collier, fresh out of the Cleveland Browns staff and facing his first fragment of college football coaching, isn't at all familiar with the one-platoon system and has inherited a squad thinner than Kentucky Derby juleps.

Gone are Steve Meilinger, the ungentle giant who played end, quarter and halfback—was All-America tough at each one; Ray Correll, the demoniac All-America guard; and fullback Ralph Paolone, who may be missed more bitterly than any of the others. Add seven more of last season's capable seniors and you have a problem more than minor.

It is probable that the offense will be built about junior quarterback Bob Hardy who had a massive hand in taking the Wildcats undefeated through the last eight games to bowl fun. This fellow contributed 24 pass completions for 418 yards and an average of 51 per cent.

The Kentucky ball carriers are light on their feet and light on the scales, for the Cats may start with Dick Mitchell (159) at left half while Dick Moloney (175) cavorts at right half with fullback Hayden Hooper (168) sandwiched in between.

**SID FOURNET**, 225-lb. LSU tackle, called by his coaches 'best in country.'



**AL DOGGETT**, standout senior quarterback, at LSU, was all-league in '53.



**BOBBY COLLINS**, Miss. St. captain quarterback.



**HAROLD EASTERWOOD**, Miss. State center, is coach's key man.





Lack of running power seems to be the keynote but the defense against both passing and infantry attacks should be superior to last season.

Among those most likely to succeed are Duke Curnutte, a rather small junior tackle of good speed; Joe Koch, a guard toughie; plus three freshmen in Dave Kuhn, 215 pounds of center; Don Netoskie, a fleet half; and Delmar Hughes, a quarterback who vaguely suggests the mighty Babe Parilli.

**GEORGIA**—These bulldogs once held a rather commanding position but the past few seasons have been a trifle threadbare.

The hassle now almost at hand might not be much better, but there are pleasing signs of a renaissance. The varsity will be speckled by 44 sophomore names, for Georgia is moving up its best freshman team in a decade.

Key losses were rather severe, for they include Zeke Bratowski, who completed 113 passes for 1,461 yards last year; John Carson, the All-America end; and Gene White, another valued flankman.

Ready to take up slack are Joe O'Malley, a shattering defensive end; Bobby Garrard, a fullback who dizzied spectators during Spring squabbles; and Roy Wilkins, an All-Southeastern freshman end in 1953. This Wilkins, at six-two and 195, is gazed upon as one of the grandest end prospects in Georgia history.

Hal Cook, all-SEC frosh center of '53, is a brilliant line-backer, while Wendell Tarlton, another sophomore, is a ball carrier of sensational proportions. Jimmy Harper, a junior quarterback, will split passing assignments with Billy Armistead, but Bratowski's arm will be sadly missed.

Georgia's defenses against running and passing have been embarrassingly leaky but things are expected to perk up, though most of the perkers are green hands.

**VANDERBILT**—The valiant Commodores have been rebuilding ever since a lot of folks can remember and this season is no exception.

To make things a trifle worse, the squad will have to get along without massive Bill Kriete-meyer, who played all backfield positions, Charley Hawkins, a most useful end, and bulldozing fullback Chuck Newman.

But last season's freshmen may bring a smile to the lips of Vanderbilt coaches. Henry (Ty-Ty) Tyler, the sophomore who looms six-three, catches passes with gay abandon, has a flair for personal combat and is quite an agile fellow. Then there's Sonny Tatum at guard—small but fleet—and Don Orr, a fine potential at quarterback.

And don't overlook Terry Fails, who has been playing Marine ball for two years. This six-three, 210-pound end did everything asked of him in the Spring bruising.

Charley Horton, at half, is the squad's best infantry agent, for he has both power and talent in the shattered field—averaged 6.1 yards and gained 461. Buddy Stack and Danny Byers are excellent ball carriers, while Jim Looney and Billy Holmes are creditable passers—William hitching up 33 of 66 for 274 while Jim's arm earned 362.

**TULANE**—They weren't being humorous when they called Tulane the Green Wave, for the Irish flag was never like this and sophomores are generally regarded as old hands. Last season's two leading backfields have been turned out into a world which it is trusted appreciates them and it is expected that at least six sophomores will win starting posts—including the somewhat vital quarterback sector.

Most of the available experience is found in the wall where Capt. Ed Bravo prowls at end. Bryan Burnthorne and Tony Sardisco, a pair of 200-pound mammals, are the only guards wearing letters and they're both juniors.

But war wisdom is concentrated at end where seven lettermen will report. The other departments are in a sorry plight, however. At tackle, Charley Coates is a senior and Don Boudreaux, a stout 220-pound bundle of bruises, a sophomore. None of the others has played enough for letter-qualification.

For the rest, there isn't a letter-wearing center or quarterback—plus one letter each at half and fullback. Starting out in his first season as head coach, Mr. Andy Pilney is singing of the blues and wearing of the green.

On the slightly cheerful side is Tommy Warner, a sophomore half who went 105 yards in eight assaults last season. Pete Morere is a likely fellow at the other half, but the backfield was drained of juice with the departure of Ray Weidenbacher.

**JERRY BILYK**, Florida end, is honor student as well as captain of Gator eleven.

**STEVE DeLaTORRE**, Florida center, is team's top lineman and line backer.

**DUKE CURNUTTE**, 5'-10" junior, provides speed in Kentucky line at tackle.

**BOB HARDY**, Wildcat field general, clicked in air for 418 yards in '53.





**CHARLEY HORTON**, Vanderbilt halfback, is key man of ground attack with 6.1 yards average last Fall.



**EDDIE BRAVO**, Green Wave captain, leads experienced Tulane line.



**TONY SARDISCO**, Tulane guard, provides 200 pounds of explosive skill.



**DON BOSSELER**, bruising 200-pounder, is rated as great fullback prospect in his 2nd year for Miami.

**FRANK McDONALD**, brilliant pass receiver and deadly defender, is rated greatest by Miami coach.



## STREET AND SMITH'S FOOTBALL

Pete Clement, Les Kennedy and Max McGee, while Al Robelet left a tremendous gap at guard.

Please omit flowers.

### INDEPENDENTS

**MIAMI**—The hustling Hurricanes began 1953 with a team quite moist aft of the ears, but came through the stretch at a murderous rate. And it seems probable that the momentum will continue in effect, for Coach Andy Gustafson believes that his unit will be stouter in every position.

Twenty-three lettermen return to learn the complexities of the Split-T and they're tough—not to mention willing. There are five such lettermen at end, four at tackle, four at guard, two at center, two at quarterback, five at halfback and three at fullback. Only the tackle slots appear doubtful.

Mr. Gustafson thinks that Frank McDonald is the best end he's ever coached—tremendously fast, a bristling defender and a brilliant receiver. Tom Pepsin fits into the same general category. Gordon Malloy is an exceptionally fine halfback. Don Bosseler, a sophomore, could be the greatest fullback Miami has developed. He's 200 pounds of thunderbolt speed and raises lumps by the bushel.

Mike Hudock is another gift of the freshmen—a 225-pound center who was particularly effective in Spring hassles. A third sophomore, halfback John Bookman, owns blistering speed and great agility.

For a long time, Miami has ached at quarterback, but Mario Bonofiglio seems to be ready to apply a soothing ointment, for he's a gifted passer and a fine runner off the Split-T.

A team to watch—and with pleasure.

**MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN**—This bustling education quarry plunged into the large time last season when the Southerners lost all respect for their supposed betters and scattered Alabama, eventual wearer of the Southeastern Conference laurel wreath, all over the horrified landscape. And, as though that wasn't enough, Mississippi Southern put Georgia to the knife 14-0.

Gone is Bucky McElroy, the cyclonic fullback who had a massive hand in the foregoing doings, gained over 2,500 yards in his three years and was a stout factor in winning 19 of his club's last 21 games. Joining in the migration are Jackson Brumfield, a 216-pound end who is moving to the San Francisco Forty-Niners, and Dick Caldwell, another booming flankman.

But 191-pound halfback Laurin Pepper is back and lots of folks think he's the best ball carrier the South has produced since Charley Trippi and Charles Justice. He has scored 26 touchdowns in two campaigns and stacked up 1,800 yards. He intercepted two of Zeke Bratowski's passes in the Georgia entanglement and ran one back 48 yards for six points. He creased the 'Bama shield with a 66-yard touchdown safari and caught a 45-yard scoring pass.

And there is rowdy beef at the tackle slots—



such as Don Owens (251 pounds), Buzzy Clark (258), Jim (Coondog) Davis (242) and Bill Bishop (256).

Then there is a bright young quarterback named Doug Barfield—a fellow who just moved from freshman obscurity and will make a battle of it. And don't forget a vigorous end named Huey Husser—just back from Korea.

Looks nice for Mississippi Southern—from here, at any rate.

**LOUISVILLE**—Seventeen bruising lettermen, led into strife by peerless quarterback John Unitas, are coming home to the Cardinal roost. Last year, an inadequate line and green receivers blunted John's passing, but these weaknesses have been eliminated to some extent and John may cut the mustard as he did in 1952.

Giving protection up front are a pair of solid guards in Jack Meade, a fleet fellow of six-foot altitude and 190 pounds, and John Noon, 210. Dick Kovanda is small for a tackle at 190 pounds, but he makes up for that in a number of rather rowdy fashions.

Gene Sartini is a noble end whom Unitas plans to bracket with heavy fire, while John Becker, on the other flank, is almost a duplicate at six-two. John Sowa and Mike McDonald are two belligerent running backs who will exploit Unitas's passing.

**FLORIDA STATE**—These Seminoles are on the prowl and some of them would be no single whit surprised if they tapped Georgia in the first game and went right on to win maybe seven of 11—which sounds natural enough.

The line is expected to be particularly potent, for it is beefed up by a tornadic play-destroyer in 215-pound Al Makowiecki, an All-Florida tackle; potent Jerry Jacobs at guard; and Jimmy Lee Taylor, an end who rated Little All-America in spite of his stumpy altitude of five-nine.

The offense may revolve around halfback Buck Metts, who gained 381 yards in 56 assaults, and Harry Massey, a long-throwing quarterback whose

arm claimed 480 yards and four touchdowns through 35 completions.

The cause will be aided by Carl Grenn, a back who ran awfully well in Spring practice, to say nothing of Tom Feamster, a tackle who was ineligible last year because of transfer from William and Mary. He's six-seven and weighs 245—was mentioned for All-America as a winsome freshman.

Ray Mercer was an All-America high school back and also had to idle away 1953 after transferring from Auburn. He's a 180-pound full with a brilliant future, but he'll have a fight on his cleats displacing 205-pound Ronnie King.

Lack of depth is chief problem.

**MEMPHIS STATE**—The Fighting Pharaohs fabricated one of the most earth-quaking form reversals of last season when they put the wood to Mississippi Southern. And they made a stand against Kentucky—one which would have intrigued Homer had it been made before the walls of Troy.

And this time they plunge further into the big time with Tulane, Mississippi State and Ole Miss as well as Kentucky and Mississippi Southern on the slate.

Under such circumstances, they can play better ball without doing quite so well. The team will be built largely upon a three-cornered foundation composed of Bob Patterson, who was noted in All-America selections last year; Jimmy Cole, a wing-back off the Tennessee offense; and Will Renfro, a smashing end who weighs 215 and stands six-feet-four.

A good deal of assaulting power is expected from Andy Nelson, a sophomore tailback who averaged four yards running as a freshman and is an expert punter—a superb defender, though weak with the passing arm. Another superior sophomore is end Jerry Christopher, who caught 129 yards of passes. Then there is Bob Henderson, a vicious and aggressive lad—one of the South's better guards.

Principal losses are Tony Taylor, a sprightly center; Egg Young, a useful tackle; and Ollie Keller, a tailback who made a specialty of exploring end zones.

A thick slice of luck would be highly appreciated.



**JIM DAVIS**, 6'-5" and 242 pounds of tackle, is one more reason for foes to fear Miss. Southern line.

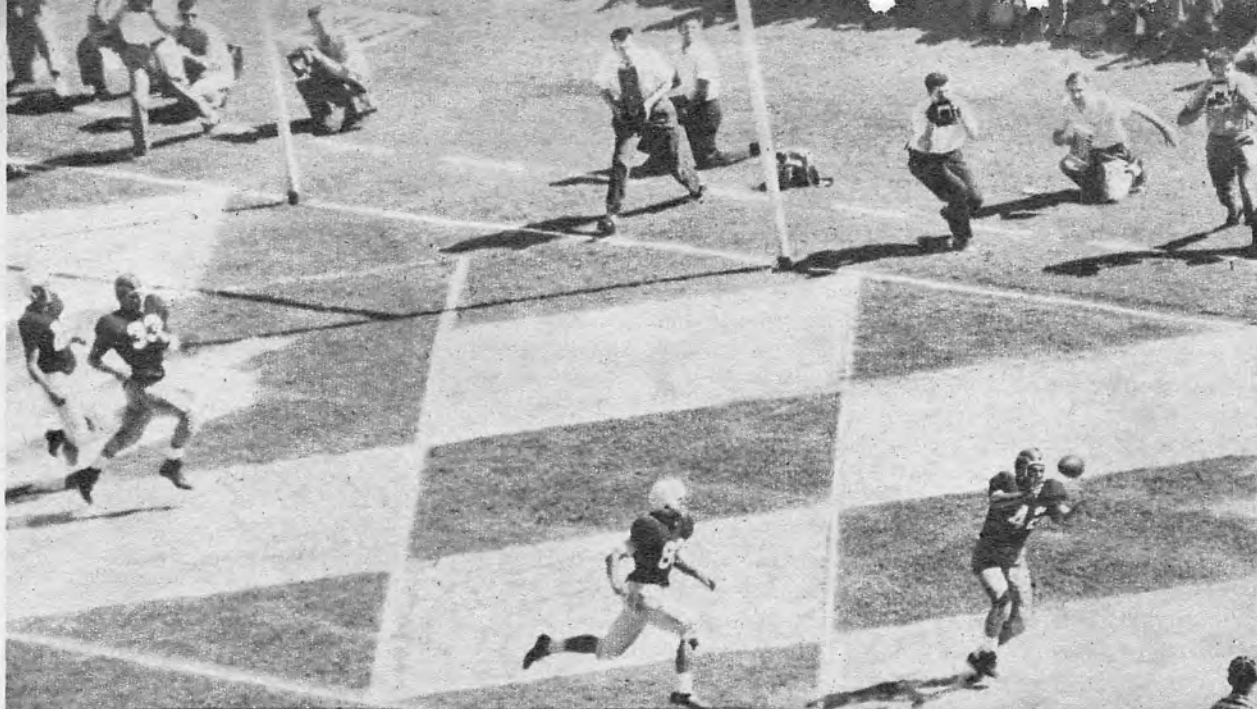


**DON OWENS**, 6'-6" Miss. Southern tackle, is Marine Purple Heart hero of Korean War back as soph.

**BOB PATTERSON**, Memphis State's top lineman, was chosen guard on Middle All-America eleven.

**JIMMY LEE TAYLOR**, only 5'-9" but a giant on grid, was standout end at Florida State during '53.





**THRILLER . . .** Joe Heap of Notre Dame snares pass in end zone as Carl Allison, Oklahoma end, arrives too late. The Irish won season's opener 28-21 last year, but Sooners went on to wallop all remaining scheduled foes.



**KURT BURRIS**, All-Big Seven center, is a standout line-backer and sure-fire blocker for Oklahoma on attack.



**DON BROWN**, 187-pound senior tackle, is only 5'9" but packs power and authority of two years' experience.

**MAX BOYDSTON**, 6'-2" right wing, is a senior with 3 varsity letters at post.

**BO BOLINGER**, 210-pound left guard, is part of tough Sooner front line.

**GENE CALAME**, shifted to quarterback in '53, ranks with Sooner greats.







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# Big Seven and Missouri Valley

## OKLAHOMA TO KEEP GRIP ON BIG 7: AGGIES TO RULE VALLEY AGAIN

### PREDICTIONS

#### Big Seven

1. Oklahoma
2. Missouri
3. Kansas
4. Kansas State
5. Nebraska
6. Colorado
7. Iowa State

#### Independents

1. Washington U.  
(St. Louis)
2. Drake
3. Bradley

#### Missouri Valley

1. Oklahoma A. and M.
2. Houston
3. Wichita
4. Detroit
5. Tulsa

#### North Central

1. South Dakota State
2. North Dakota
3. Iowa Teachers
4. South Dakota
5. North Dakota State
6. Augustana
7. Morningside

THE day may come when a harried forecaster can write with confidence and gay abandon that the University of Oklahoma won't win the Big Seven football crown. That day hasn't arrived, as far as we can tell and so there's no sense being reckless or foolish.

Yes, it looks very much like Oklahoma again.

They're a little more sociable in the Missouri Valley where the title is passed around on occasion. In 1952 Tulsa figured to get the job done, but Houston won out. Last year it appeared to be Houston again handily, but the Oklahoma Aggies and Detroit finished in a tie.

At great risk of being fooled again, our choice for '54 is Oklahoma A. and M.

The reasons: Oklahoma "weathered" an interim season last Fall with only a loss to Notre Dame and a tie by Pitt to blot its record. Things being normal (Oklahoma version) the experience gained, plus good material off the freshman squad should keep the Sooners in the driver's seat.

The Oklahoma Aggies have uncovered a top-notch quarterback in Fred Meyers. The Cowpokes were rugged and tough last year and loom better than ever.

Points that will be watched with interest in the Big Seven area are two new coaches, Chuck Mather at Kansas and Vince Di Francesca at Iowa State; increased athletic scholarships at Iowa State and Nebraska.

Mather jumps from a fabulous record at Massil-

lon, O., high school into the college swirl at Kansas. He has brought along an intriguing system of player evaluation, using films extensively and a grading system that works into an I.B.M. machine. Di Francesca will attempt a revival at Ames. Iowa State and Nebraska both brought their scholarship totals up to a plane comparable to that at other points.

Wally Fromhart at Detroit is the lone newcomer into the Valley league.

Missouri rates the second place spot in the Big Seven because of great depth plus three talented and seasoned quarterbacks which gives Coach Don Faurot his best signal-calling corps in years. Kansas is pegged third but judgment on the Jayhawks awaits seeing how the new system works out. Kansas State, which tied Missouri for second last year, continues to forge ahead.

Nebraska had internal strife at the close of last season, but Coach Bill Glassford came out on top and with more scholarships, his cause will be aided considerably.

Colorado has backs galore, but needs a line. The Buffalo Single Wing will be supplemented with some T stuff.

Iowa State, unlike Kansas, lacks material to help its new coach, who also is installing the Split T formation, thus joining Oklahoma, K State and Missouri in the use of the Missouri-born attack.

In the Valley, Houston seems in good shape. Wichita made great stride under young Jack Mitchell last Fall and Jack finally has rounded up some material which will make the Wheatshockers tough. Detroit and Tulsa have patching to do, although Detroit has the least chore in that respect.

Washington of St. Louis, under Carl Snively, again has a fine backfield and should top the independents. Drake is going to have to use freshmen to fill out its roster. Bradley won only one game last year so anything above that will be an improvement.

In the North Central Conference, South Dakota State's champs get the nod to hold onto the crown they won last year in a thrilling photo finish. With a year's experience, Coach Ralph Ginn's predominantly sophomore club of '53 appears capable of standing off its main rivals—University of North Dakota and Iowa State Teachers College. The latter pair also lost little by graduation from capable outfits.

## BIG SEVEN

**OKLAHOMA**—The only way to figure is that Coach Bud Wilkinson's Sooners will win their eighth straight conference title this Fall. Oklahoma has won the last seven titles outright and shared it in 1947, all under Wilkinson's guidance.

As is customary, the O.U. alumni team handed the varsity a 28-7 licking in the Spring game. The alumni have been consistent and doubtless many of Oklahoma's foes would like to steal the formula used by the old grads—some of them not so old.

Under Wilkinson's steering the Sooners consistently have developed their varsity machine. Last year was regarded as a "building" year and O.U. lost only to Notre Dame and was tied by Pitt. This year's crew should be improved, all things being equal. Also Oklahoma has consistently kept its yearling manpower pool well-stocked. Reports are that last year's frosh crop was up to par.

Actually Oklahoma suffered the loss of about half of its first and second units that upset Maryland in the Orange bowl. Most of the departees were linemen, tackles numbering highest. But there are 36 of the 49-man Orange bowl contingent on deck.

Tri-captains this Fall are Gene Calame, quarterback; Carl Allison, end, and Gene Mears, center.

Line Coach Gomer Jones will be able to send in a pair of fine ends in Allison and Max Boydston. Tackles should be Don Brown and Emery Link; guards, Bo Bolinger and Cecil Morris, with Kurt Burris at center.

The backfield is a pretty solid unit hinging around Calame, the quarterback who came through in the clutch last Fall. The fine halfbacks are Buddy Leake, who could have a great season, and Bob Herndon. Bob Burris and Wray Littlejohn are a pair of proven fullbacks.

Oklahoma's freshman team should provide a number of candidates who will bid for first-string berths or, at least, make top-flight replacements.

**MISSOURI**—Coach Don Faurot has 22 lettermen returning and it appears that The Tigers may have one of their better teams. Missouri gave Oklahoma a real battle before being subdued last season and the Bengals should be stronger.

Despite the fact that Missouri must fill six of the eleven starting spots of last Fall, Faurot is 2-deep in lettermen at all positions. In other words, he can do the filling with men who saw a lot of action.

Happiest situation of all is a quarterback where three veterans are available, Tony Scardino, Vic Eaton and Jack Brase.

There is more breakaway power looming in the backfield. Halfbacks include Jack Fox, Bob Musgrave, Jerry Schoonmaker and Guy Rose along with newcomers Bill Rice, Jim Hunter and Sonny Stringer. Fullbacks will be Bob Bauman and Harold Thomeczek with competition from yearlings John Powell, Gene Roll and Bob Schoeller.

A possible starting line would include Pete Cor-

peny and Harold Burnine, ends; Charley Bull and Chuck Mehrer, a sophomore, tackles; Terry Roberts and Jake Shiveley, guards, with a question on Roberts' leg injury; and Norden Stefanides at center.

Overall experience will help the Tigers considerably, with the main problem the manning of the tackle berths.

Eaton and Scardino will provide an adequate forward passing threat with the youngsters Hunt-

**CHARLEY BULL** is being counted on for heavy duty bolstering Missouri line at key tackle position.

**TERRY ROBERTS**, All-Big 7 for past two years, gives Tigers strength at guard.



**BOB BAUMAN**, pile-driving fullback, is destined for important role in Missouri bid to overthrow Sooners.





er and Stringer adding their bit from the halfback positions.

**KANSAS**—Anyone who can figure out the Jayhawk situation before the opening kickoff is a mastermind.

Kansas bows in under the leadership of Chuck Mather, who compiled a fabulous record at Washington high in Massillon, Ohio. He succeeds J. V. Sikes. Mather is regarded as a football technician,



**JOHN ANDERSON** switches from fullback to flank in effort to strengthen Kansas depleted line.

**DON BRACELIN**, a 2-year regular, mans other terminal Jayhawk post.



**CORKY TAYLOR**, Kansas State co-captain, packs the scoring punch at halfback for resurgent Wildcats.



a scholar of the game. He took extensive movies of Spring practice sessions in order to plan the many personnel changes that were effected in the camp.

Mather was blessed with a fine batch of material, but it lacks certain requisites for ultimate realization of the championship dreams floating around in the minds of the overstimulated alumni.

In the first place, the new coach has no seasoned quarterback, which, in a manner of speaking, sets his cause back some yards every time a play is called. If Mather can come up with a first-class signal-caller he will have an interesting, but not necessarily, an overpowering ball club.

In the signal-calling department there were, in Spring drills, at least a dozen candidates. Heading the list, of course, was John McFarland, who started most of last year's games. Tom Slaymaker, a rangy sophomore, was a strong contender for the helm along with another newcomer, Terry McIntosh.

Mather has 16 lettermen back plus Jack Luschen, who earned a letter at guard as a sophomore in '50 and then went into service.

Changes involving key lettermen find Dick Knowles going from tackle to guard, John Anderson from fullback to end, halfback Don Hess to full and Bud Bixler, tackle, goes to center.

Five spots must be filled in the line where only Knowles and end Don Bracelin are returning starters.

More than 100 candidates reported in the Mather revival and this group was cut to around 60 by the end of Spring drills.

**KANSAS STATE**—Things continue to look up in the Wildcat camp. Last year's team under Coach Bill Meek punched its way to a tie for second with Missouri. This was a far cry from the lean years when the Purple held a long-term lease on the cellar apartment.

This Fall K-State has more depth and the personnel generally is heftier. There is every indication, too, that more know-how is included.

From tackle to tackle in Spring training the 'Cats boasted 34 candidates who averaged 204 pounds. Bolstering the line are Jim Rusher and Ron Marciniak. Rusher, a junior college transfer, will fill a vital end position. With five capable centers, the up-the-middle situation is good. Ron Marciniak, co-captain, has been shifted from tackle to guard to plug a gap.

Coming from the freshman team are these young linemen: Rudy Bletscher, guard, and Jon Walker and Len Legault, tackles. Also there's a fine frosh prospect at end in Lee McCluggage.

Of the 22 returning lettermen, the big replacement must come for Veryl Joe Switzer, a great all-around back. Candidates include Ken Nesmith and Tony Addeo, both tough and fast.

Holdover backs include Corky Taylor, co-captain and one of the best; Bernie Dudley and Doug Roether. There are five possible quarterbacks including the tested Bob Whitehead, Bob Dahnke, Jim Logsdon and a couple of freshmen.

Ken Habig is the No. 2 fullback behind Roether. Another possibility is Bill Carrington.

Because of the reservoir of backfield material, Meek may alternate the versatile Dahnke between quarter and left half in the Split-T attack.

**NEBRASKA**—Search for a quarterback successor to John Bordogna occupied most of the Spring session at Nebraska.

Coach Bill Glassford weathered an out in the open uprising over things athletic in Cornhuskerland. There followed much speculation as to whether the affair will have a healthy or a deterrent effect.

On the basis of Spring practice there is every reason to believe that things are looking up. There was a turnout of about 75 athletes and general harmony had returned.

The quarterback probably will come from a list that includes Rex Fischer, Don Erway, Charles Smith, Don Margheim, Gordon Englert and Dan Brown. Two of the leading contenders are Smith, a 6-2, 185-pounder who is a right-handed passer and Margheim, who stands 6 feet and weighs 190.

Glassford will build around a seasoned crew of halfbacks, two experienced guards and a center. Nine lettermen return including Bob Smith, halfback, the leading groundgainer of the team; Jon McWilliams and Dennis Korinek; Andy Loehr, end; Bob Wagner and Don Glantz, guards, and Bob Oberlin, center.

Experienced hands who will help the cause are Charles Bryant, guard and Max Kitzelman, tackle.

Tom Harper, a freshman in 1949, has returned from service and is one of the guard candidates.

But the main thing in this situation is a quarterback.

**BOB OBERLIN, 6'-1"** senior center, is one of vet mainstays for Nebraska.



**BOB SMITH, Nebraska fullback**, was leading ground-gainer for the Cornhuskers as a junior last Autumn.



**COLORADO**—The Golden Buffaloes open the 1954 campaign with a big question mark as to the line and the making of another good backfield.

Returning in the secondary to operate from Coach Dal Ward's Single Wing (with some T added this time) formation are fullback Emerson Wilson and halfbacks Frank Bernardi and Carroll Hardy. These were Colorado's three leading ground gainers with 591, 493 and 361 yards respectively. In addition Bernardi was the top passer with 11 of 22 for 176 yards. Keep your eye on Hardy, one of the best.

Finding a quarterback was a major aspect of Spring drills and there were no major developments, indicating that experimenting will continue in the early stages of the season. Don Piper, Bill Lamont and Jack Becker figure in the coach's plans.

Only linemen of known ability on the list of returnees is guard Sam Salerno. Two top sophomore prospects are Walt Schneider, a 225-pound center, and Wally Merz, a 210-pound end. Other line candidates are Henry Smith, at tackle, and Greg Lefferdink, guard.

So it's entirely possible there will be an oversupply of backs and an inadequate line to make full use of them. Other backs around are Homer Jenkins, Don Neary and Don Shelley and three sophomores, Becker, Homer Scott and John Bayuk, the latter a 210-pound fullback.

**IOWA STATE**—The Cyclones begin a new program under the guidance of a new coach, Vince Di Francesca, a Northwestern graduate who transferred from Western Illinois to Ames, succeeding Abe Stuber.

It all began in the Spring and brought about 120

**SAM SALERNO, Colorado guard**, is the lone veteran in Buffaloes' line.



**CARROLL HARDY** chalked up 361 yards rushing for Colorado in '53.





candidates into the fold. Spirit and hustle were high and the new coach was impressed.

Di Francesca is sold on his fullback, Max Burkett, who made most of the All-Conference selections last season. In addition he has two tried halfbacks in Gary Lutz and Hank Philmon. He needs a quarterback and may have to go with youngsters, John Breckenridge or Paul Johnson, who had been going at halfback as a yearling.

The line is being juggled considerably and its make-up is not exactly clear. Di Francesca said he plans to "get men who can block into those spots regardless of what position they may have played before."

The new coach inherited only 13 lettermen, including Dick Stuber, a quarterback and son of the former coach. There are Barney Alleman and Kim Tidd at end, Wayne Horras and Weldon Thalacker at guard, Elmer May at center, Daryl Hobbs and Bruce Alexander, backs.

Di Francesca plans to operate from the Split T. Manpower may not be of the highest level and caliber, but there seems to be reason to see improvement in the offing.

#### MISSOURI VALLEY

**OKLAHOMA A. AND M.**—Coach J. B. (Ears) Whitworth should have another solid organization of Cowpoke footballers this Fall to make a strong bid for clean-cut acquisition of the Missouri Valley crown that was shared last Fall with Detroit.

Bolstering Aggie hopes is the appearance of Fred Meyers, a 198-pound back who can run and pass. He will be the quarterback.

**FRANK BERNARDI**, who paced Colorado backs with 591 yards in '53, is part of high-powered backfield trio.



Meyers, whose home is in Enid, went away to West Point where he served a season as freshman signal-caller and was regarded as a top varsity applicant. Meyers was thrown for a loss by mathematics and now is back in his home state.

In addition to the solution of the quarterback problem, cheer is added by the return of fullback Earl Lunsford who was the league's top ground-gainer last season with a total of 748 yards. He tied for fourth in scoring with 36 points.

Needed are replacements at halfback for Bill Bredde and Dorsey Gibson. Good reserves will come from the freshman squad that posted triumphs over Tulsa and Oklahoma.

If the halfback situation pans out, Aggie observers say the team should be 25 per cent better than the 1953 unit that won seven and lost three.

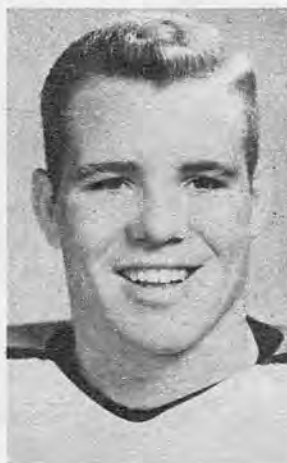
**HOUSTON**—The Cougars lost their 3-year quarterback, Bobby Clatterbuck, and the scuffle for his job will be one of the most interesting angles of this year's team.

A leading candidate is Jimmy Dickey, a transfer from Tyler junior college where last year he pitched 26 TD passes. Teddy Gray, who did a fine job as a sophomore speller of Clatterbuck, also is on hand. Count in diminutive Al Hawthorne, 5 feet 5, and a Don Flynn, up from the freshman.

Actually this is a problem spot for Coach Clyde Lee, but he probably is more worried about the loss of his two tackles, Bob Chuoke and Buddy Gillioz, all-star performers. Lee looks to Lavell Isbell, who lettered, and several boys off the yearling list such as Dalva Allen and Gene Meyer.

Five guards, headed by Jim Blackstone, are available. The Cougars are deep at center where Ed Willhelm, who saw a lot of action last year, is getting competition from Billy McIlroy, Tom Dimmick and Dick McKinney.

At end there are no complaints—the wings may be the best ever. The list includes Ben Wilson, George Hynes and Don Folks. A transfer, Ronnie



**EARL LUNS福德**, Okla. Aggie fullback, scored 36 while going 748 yards.



**FRED MEYERS**, thrown by math at West Point, now is pitching for Aggies.

Emberg, raised eyebrows in test as a flanker.

Halfback is ably manned by Kennie (Scooter) Stegall and Don Hargrove. Joe Bob Smith is a top freshman bidder. Jack Patterson returns at fullback with freshman Jerry Young on his heels.

It is interesting to note that six of the starting eleven that last year beat Tennessee and Baylor are ready to go in '54.

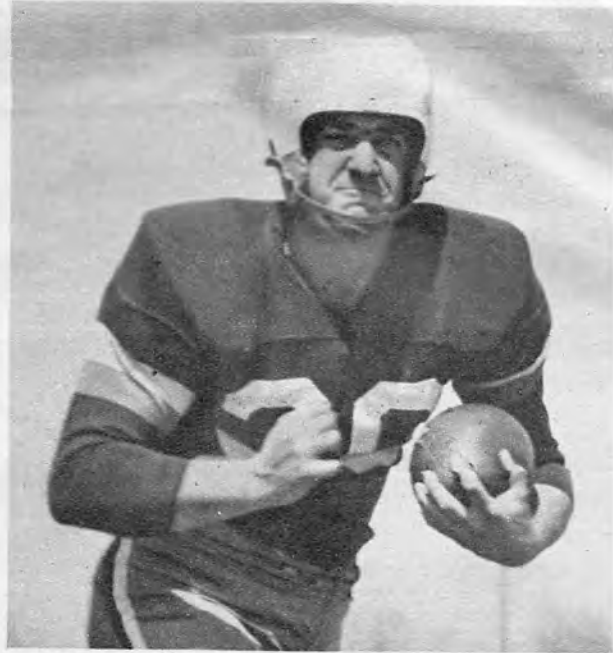
**WICHITA**—After playing last year's schedule with 28 men, Coach Jack Mitchell looks forward to this Fall and his squad of 55 with much more eagerness.

It's not just a matter of quantity, but improved quality that gives Mitchell and the Wheatshocker followers reason for optimism. There are 32 sophomores on the roster and by and large they're highly able individuals. There is more depth overall and the only spot that seems to present some worry is center.

A probable starting line-up would find Neil Sikes (175) and Jim Matous (195), ends; Earl Craver (224) and Vere Wellman (215), tackles; Dennis Stegman (210) and Kent Thomas (205), guards; Jack O'Toole (186), center; Jack Conway (195), quarterback; Jim Klisanin (170) and Chuck Hollmer (185), halfbacks, and Leroy Hinman (195), fullback.

Stegman, a sophomore, is hailed as an athlete of

**JACK PATTERSON**, senior fullback, will bear brunt of power thrust as Houston strives to regain Valley title.

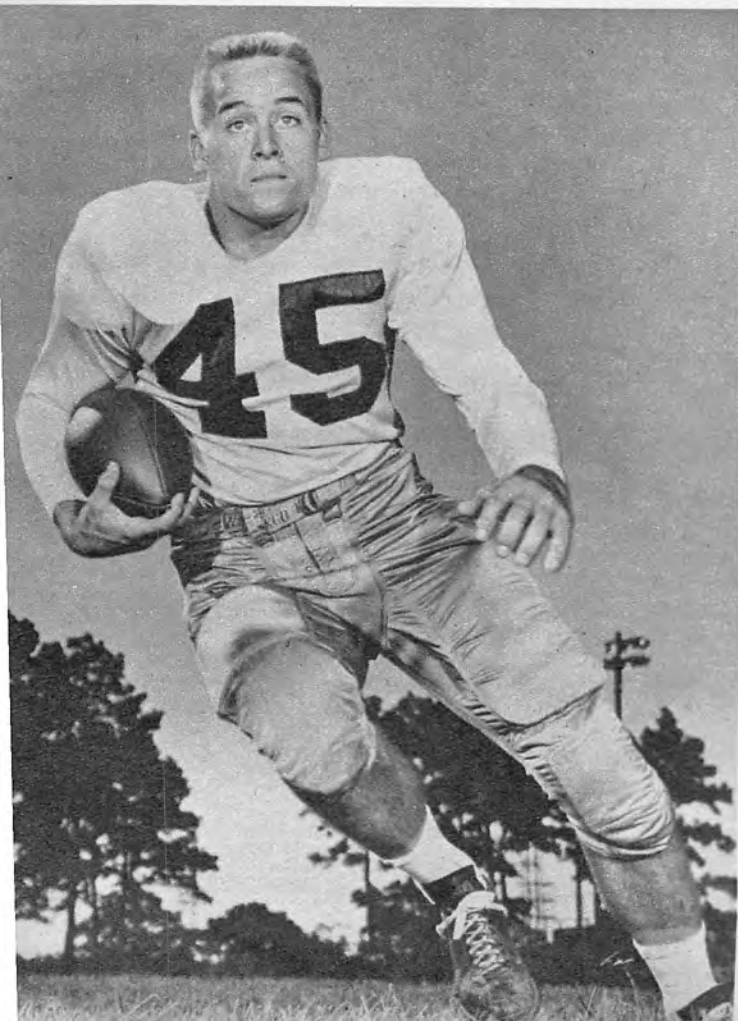


**LEROY HINMAN**, one of the most promising sophs in league, has clinched Wichita fullback and kicking posts.

**DENNIS STEGMAN**, 210-pound soph guard, can run the 100 in 9.8 and is rated sure standout on Wichita line.



**JIM BLACKSTONE**, 215-pounder, heads talented quintet of guards at Houston coach's disposal.





more than usual ability. Conway, another soph, in Spring practice crowded the veteran Connie Hoffmans out as quarterback, but the latter still may be much in the picture. Hinman, also a sophomore, gives the team excellent punting and plunging power. Craver, who lettered at Wichita in 1950, bounded out of the Marines and won himself a starting berth at left tackle.

**DETROIT**—The Titans handed diplomas to their four big tackles, an all-Valley guard and a quarterback which leaves the new coach, Wally Fromhart, with a fine chore on his hands.

Fromhart, who takes over from Dutch Clark, has a foundation of 13 lettermen and about 20 other squadmen.

On the bright side is the return of Bob Burgmeier, halfback and the league's top scorer last season with 72 points, and Lee Riley, another halfback, the Valley's leading pass-catcher.

Quarterback is wide open. Hopefuls at tackle are Terry Martin, 220, and Dick Quadri, 200.

Detroit will be in good shape at ends with Jack Flanagan, Dick Abel, John Eckenstein and Bob Chendes available. A fine sophomore hand is Perry Richards, a 6-2, 190-pounder.

Joe Belluso, rated as one of the best, will return at guard. Dick Vaughn and Martin Foley will scrap it out for the other spot.

Center is safe in the hands of Al Baumgart, an All-Conference player, backed up by seasoned Marion Balcerzak.

Outstanding sophomores are Richards, Chendes, Bart Jenniches, a halfback, and Arnold Ochs, a fullback who may be used at guard if the need arises.

**TULSA**—It would be unusual for the Golden Hurricane to remain in the cellar two years in a row and for that reason Coach Bernie Witucki and his aides have much incentive this Fall.

Witucki's backfield was riddled and only Bill Trávník, halfback, and Chuck Phillips, fullback, return to give him a start in recasting.

In spite of that, running and passing could be improved. Harry Tipps, Mack Warren, Dick Phillips and Charlie Wynes, the quarterback corps, all are passers. Running power is expected from Dale Lawyer, Dick Scholtz, Al Backus and little Bobby Waugh, brother of Howard, the former Tulsa great.

The line, which lacked experience and size last year, now just lacks size, but may develop. The forward wall is strongest at end where Bill Wise is a sharp-looking sophomore.

Newcomers, in addition to Wise, who are expected to help include Backus, Ed McAfee, Carl Tate, Dick Phillips and Dick Schlotz, backs; John Gegielski and Bill Keck, tackles; Tom Egan, end, and Max Black, center.

#### INDEPENDENTS

**WASHINGTON U. (St. Louis)**—Coach Carl

Snavely's job in the Spring was to weld a line to go with his top-flight backfield. He had 17 varsity lettermen and 19 junior varsity monogram winners available.

Three of the backs who made up last year's secondary—rated as the best in years at Washington—return. They are Mel Siegel, Jim Burst and Ted Dunn. Bob Ladd, injured early last year, could make the backfield. Don Sauer and Bill Combs are available for the blocking-back assignment in the Single Wing attack.

**DRAKE**—The Bulldogs, hewing to the line on the North Central association's edict, let their athletic scholarship plan drop. As a result, manpower is thin and, for this year only, Drake will play freshmen.

Fourteen letter-winners return to Coach Warren Gaer. First-rate candidates are Marvin Shearer, freshman end, and Ron Nelson, 205-pound halfback. The Bulldogs figure to be young and eager, but thin and inexperienced.

**BRADLEY**—The Braves won only one game last Fall (over Illinois Normal), but Coach Steve Sucic has 33 letter or numeral winners from which to fashion an improved unit. Returning is Duane Lovestrand, last year's No. 1 ground-gainer for the Braves.



**TED DUNN** set a new mark of 884 yards rushing as fullback for Washington of St. Louis in '53.

**JOE BELLUSO**, 200-pound, 5'-11" senior guard, is Detroit co-captain as well as bulwark of Titan line.





**KEN ASHMORE**, South Dakota State halfback, sweeps Augustana end on way to touchdown during Jackrabbits' thrilling North Central loop battle.



**JERRY WELCH**, So. Dakota St. co-captain, looms Little All-America back.

#### NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE

**SOUTH DAKOTA STATE**—Coach Ralph Ginn's Jackrabbits won the 1953 North Central title in a chase that went down to the wire. A tie with third-place North Dakota was the only blot on the State conference record in six contests. However the Brookings crew had to come from a two-touchdown deficit in the final tilt with Morningside to win the laurels.

Only one regular, quarterback Phil Edwards who left school to enter service, is missing from the top three backfield units. Two juniors, Virg Riley and Pete Franz, are anxious to claim the important post in Ginn's split-T formation.

However, five 1953 line regulars are missing—All-Conference Loren Englund at end, Al Evans and Les Gieneart, tackles; and Arlin Anderson and Dick Walker, guards. Replacements are forthcoming from the reserve ranks and the freshman squad and most of them are big.

Sixteen lettermen form the nucleus of the 1954 squad. Co-captain Jerry Welch, halfback, statistical leader last year; Roger Denker, hard-running fullback; and Dick Klawitter, 260-pound center, were 1953 All-Conference selections. Other lettermen on the list are ends Hank Backlund and Stan Uhler, tackles Dennis McLaughlin and co-captain Jack Nitz, guards Emery Braa and Roger Kerns, center Pete Shaputis, quarterback Riley, halfbacks Ken Ashmore, Bill McDonald, Ken McKenzie and Mike Radtke, and fullback Jim Carter.

**NORTH DAKOTA**—The Nordaks, third in 1953, promise to be tough for all comers in the title chase with only three men lost of the 20 who won letters last Fall and a healthy reservoir of reserve talent from an undefeated, 45-man frosh squad. Gone from head coach Frank Zazula's Sioux camp are a pair of All-NCC linemen—co-captains Mike Bothun, end, and Dick Widseth, center. Emil Bau-field, a right half, completes the trio lost. Sioux

All-Conference performers on hand are left half Dick (Dynamite) Ryan, quarterback Cal Hallada and Ron Kubesh, a scrappy 170-pound first-unit guard. Ryan, a 165-pound runner and nifty pass-receiver, rolled up 1,096 offense yards last Fall. The 145-pound Hallada, as a soph, pitched 125 aerials, completed 74 to earn himself the sobriquet of the nation's "most accurate small college passer", according to NCAA final figures.

Line coach Tom Hughes' small but scrappy and well-drilled lines will be cemented immeasurably by the 30 frosh linemen. Ron Kubesh heads a strong crop of guards, while 245-pound John Von Ruden stands out among the tackles.

**IOWA TEACHERS**—Title hopes are high as head coach Buck Starbeck has lost only one 1953 regular through graduation, All-Conference guard Jim Wachenheim. Five returning All-NCC 1953 selections—Ralph Capitani, Dick Beetsch, Larry Bitcon, Art Landau and LeRoy Dunn—form the nucleus of the 1954 team. Other returning lettermen include Doug Butler, Dave Tollefson, Tom Walker, Jim Hershberger, Dean Cramer, Don Fisher, Rod Hoagland, Dick Lanaghan, Jim Rosien, Roy Voggessor, Jerry Reynolds and Vern Rosene.

Capitani was the nation's top small college offensive performer with a total gain of 1,755 yards.

**DICK BEETSCH** grabbed passes for nine tallies for Iowa Teachers in '53.

**RALPH CAPITANI**, tops in nation on offense, with 1,755 yards for Iowa Tchrs.







**CAL HALLADA** will call plays in North Dakota's bid to rise to top of loop.

**DICK RYAN**, Nordak left half, chalked up 1,096 yards on offense last Fall.

Beetsch gathered in 54 Capitani tosses for 837 yards and nine touchdowns. Landau, a driving halfback, broke the school scoring record by tallying 84 points.

Filling several question marks in the line is the big problem facing Starbeck. Standouts up from the freshman team include: Bill Simpson, Dick Formaneck, Don Grove and Dale Peterson.

**SOUTH DAKOTA**—Coach Harry Gamage's Coyotes are probably still a year away from a North Central Conference title bid.

Gamage has a wealth of backfield talent but his line lacks size and experience. Veteran quarterbacks Mickey McDowell and Bill Rawlings will run the Split-T offense. Halfbacks Bill Hauck, Carl Johnson, Wayne Simons, Duane Leach, Keith Connelly, Steve LeFevre, and ex-Maryline Kaye Andrews are adequate. There isn't any worry at fullback where veteran Fred Rovere and sophomore Wayne Ailts, who promises to be one of the nation's great punters, are backed up by letterman Ken Noel.

In the line veterans Chuck Burns and Jim Bartlett and sophomores Bob Roesler, Dean Neilan and Ernie Edwards will handle the end posts. At tackle, veteran Al Thanos is ably assisted by sophomores Jack Neuroth and Don Diepholz. The guard posts have developed into a real dogfight between veterans Arlen (Red) Haakinson and Fritz Kling and sophomores Jim Pochop and Joe Lundsgaard. Senior Ray Rifenbark returns at pivot.

**NORTH DAKOTA STATE**—The big problem facing coach Del Anderson in his debut with the Bisons is finding a capable quarterback to operate his T and Split-T offense. Top candidate is Dana Hill, up from directing the destinies of the 1953 frosh.

**FRED ROVERE** packs big wallop for South Dakota as one of fine fullback trio.

**JIM GEDNALSKE**, iron man Augustana guard, is all set for full season.

He is backed by another sophomore, Jim Wold. Main emphasis during Spring drills was on learning the new system and team spirit and confidence was at a high level.

Key players among the returning lettermen are: co-captains Glenn Hill, end, and Paul Werner, tackle; guards Pete Aamodt, Emil Zueger and Richard Bielfeld and center Pat Vickers. Halfback Floyd Wagner and end Bill Skrei show promise.

**AUGUSTANA**—Coach Vic Pedersen has only seven lettermen returning and must rely greatly on first year men. The sophomores are led by Chuck Howlin, a 160-pound scatback with terrific speed, and pile-driving Phil Nelson, another halfback. For experience, Pedersen has 210-pound, 6'2", junior Mike Dahl at fullback.

The vital quarterback post has three sophomore candidates—Bob Bittner, Ben Newcomb and Dean Baker—all of whom have shown better than average passing ability.

In the line, Jim Gednalske, who played every minute of every game in 1953, is a steady guard with the knack of being in the right place at the proper time. Al Benson, 218-pound soph, and Paul Jensen, 210-pound junior, are the tackles. Bill Simpson and Don Gustafson, both outstanding sophs, move up to the varsity flanks. Simpson will also handle the punting. Another pair of sophomores, Dick Boettcher and Bob Newcomb, will split duties at center.

**MORNINGSIDE**—Head coach Clayton Drouillard fields a predominantly veteran first team under the guidance of Buck Miller, calling signals for Morningside for the third year. Fullback Darold Puff and tailback Bob Meinhardt, both regulars as sophomores, and letterman Dave Van Vleet round out the backfield.

Veteran linemen include: ends Bill Holsclaw and Bob Miller, tackle Bill Thomas, guard Ike Isaacson and centers Paul Kirkegaard and Jim Welton.

A trio who earned letters in 1951 are returning from Service. They are: tailback Vern Wyland, tackle Al Lindgren and quarterback Bob Buckley.

Promising newcomers are headed by tackle Ray Clark, a transfer from Iowa; freshman Ronnie Fredrickson, tailback; halfback Dutch Bryan, second team All-State back from Onawa, Iowa; and freshman end Red Getting and tackle Neal Gohring.

**BOB MILLER**, Morningside end, is part of veteran first team which hopes to spring surprises in league play.

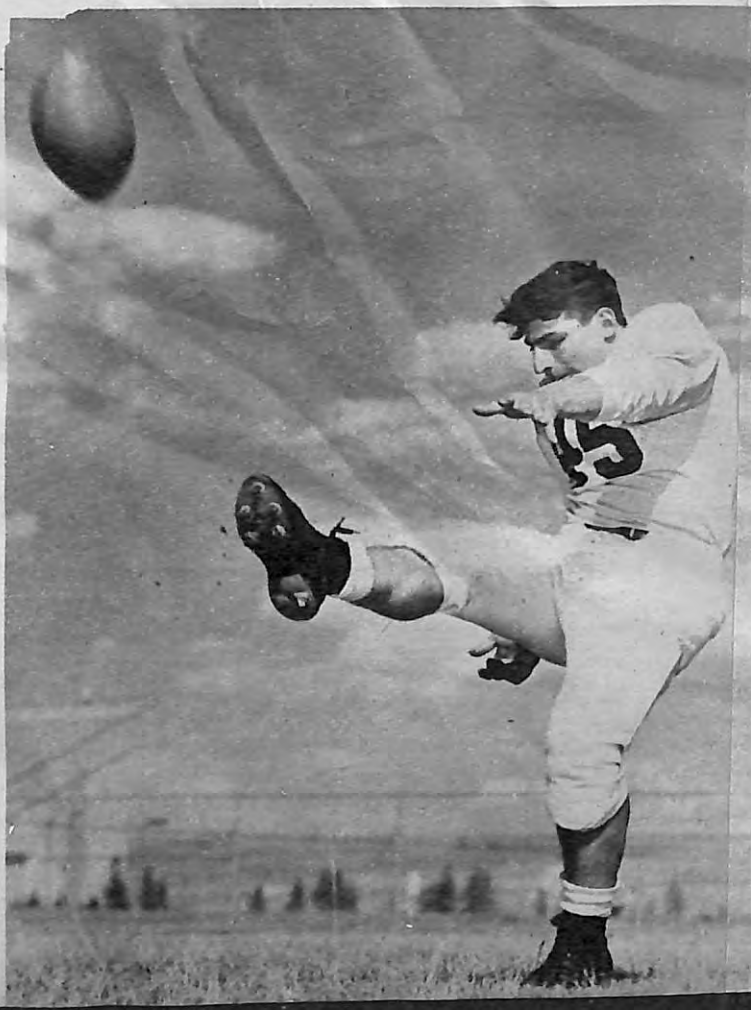




GEORGE GALUSKA, Wyoming fullback, cracks Denver line for 8-yard gain as teams play 13-13 tie. Bugs Carter (85), Cowboy end, hastens to block out Jim Bowen (left), Denver back as Martin Hicks (right) gets set to tackle.

BUGS CARTER, Wyoming wing, snared eight passes for 99 yards last campaign and is one of key men.

JOE MASTROGIOVANNI, Cowboy '53 sparkplug, netted 627 yards on ground, averaged 32.1 on kicks.







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# Rockies

## WYOMING "RED SHIRTS" READY TO RULE SKYLINE CONFERENCE ROOST

### PREDICTION

Skyline	Rocky Mountain
1. Wyoming	1. Idaho State
2. New Mexico	2. Montana State
3. Utah	3. Western State
4. Utah State	4. Colorado School of Mines
5. Denver	5. Colorado State
6. Montana	6. Colorado College
7. Colorado A. & M.	
8. Brigham Young	

THE football offered through the 1954 season in the high country of the Rockies gives promise of being the best presented in recent years. Every club in the Skyline Conference, with the possible exception of Utah, the defending champion, will be stronger. And Utah was strong enough through 1952-1953 to meet this year's improved competition.

With possibly two exceptions this improvement holds true in the area's small college league, the Rocky Mountain. The conference rule which forbids Spring practice in "The Little Six," coupled with a lop-sided schedule, makes for a somewhat confused situation, however. Under the schedule the four Colorado teams—Western State, Colorado Mines, Colorado State and Colorado College—play a round-robin, all clubs meeting twice. The Colorado schools play single games against their northern neighbors, Idaho State and Montana State. In turn the Idaho and Montana schools meet twice. There will be no official champion. Idaho State, with Montana State its top threat, appears strongest. There is a widespread report that Idaho State will seek Skyline membership next season.

There has been a considerable weeding of the ivy which, last season, all but strangled the Skyline conference. Unlike the 1953 season when Wyoming, New Mexico and Denver opened under new head coaches, and new athletic directors were at the helm at Montana University, Colorado A. & M., and Utah State, the league this year has experienced no changes in its top brass.

Something of the caliber of ball to be offered can be found in a somewhat unusual percentage tabulation, by the coaches themselves, of team strength for 1954, as compared with 1953.

This table rates Denver, under Head Coach Bob Blackman, as 35 per cent improved. Utah State is

given a 30 per cent improvement rating, with Wyoming listed 25 per cent stronger. Colorado A. & M. and New Mexico are listed as 15 per cent better and Montana and Brigham Young show 10 per cent more potential.

Wyoming is being accorded the "September championship." Head Coach Phil Dickens is blessed with a goodly squad of "red shirts." These players were, for the most part, attracted to the Cowboy school out of the Deep South when Bowden Wyatt was "head wrangler in the 'Pokes corral." Wyatt left to take over at Arkansas. But the transferred remained. Most were on the campus through the 1953 season, although ineligible for varsity competition. It was the general report that these "red shirts" dominated the play in scrimmage against the varsity. Top man in this group should be Vic Kolenik, voted the "most valuable player" in a Tennessee appearance in the Cotton Bowl.

Wyoming is probably the most "football happy" state in the Union. Television has had little or no impact for it does not reach into the state's far corners. But enthusiasm of the cattle ranchers for their football "Cowboy Joes" is almost unbounded. And whole communities travel, even in blizzard weather, hundreds of miles to see their club in action. Attendance is probably the highest per capita in the nation. Wyomingites make no bones about "being out for a bowl bid" this year, having liked what happened in their trip to the Gator Bowl at the close of the 1951 season.

Biggest boost received by Skyline football came last year as Utah, the league leader, and Brigham Young, the last place club, met in the televised "Game of the Week" on Thanksgiving. Many viewers held this to be the most entertaining of the TV series. This public reaction had much to do with what is clearly a more liberal view, as to the value of football as a college sport, on the part of Skyline presidents. There have been no moves to institute new provisions in their own code, a white paper drawn up in 1952 which, if fully enforced, might well have spelled doom for the league.

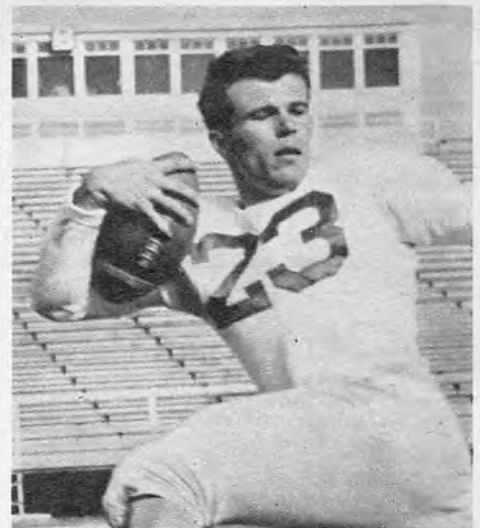
Attendance last season was down. This was due to the failure of Denver University to attract the crowds of some previous years. Denver, largest city in the circuit, played to less than 50,000 in 1952 and improved only slightly in 1953. An effort to



JAY CRAMPTON, 205-pound senior guard, is part of veteran line that promises to make New Mexico one of the top defensive units in Skyline.

LARRY WHITE, New Mexico captain, has earned All-Conference center honors during three years play. Larry is equally adept as offense or defense player in grid wars.

STREET AND SMITH'S FOOTBALL



BOBBY LEE, Lobo half-back, led N.M. attack in '53 with 54 points and 264 yards net gain rushing.

correct this has been made with admissions reduced even beyond the cuts allowed under the new tax structure. Utah has also reduced admissions.

#### SKYLINE CONFERENCE

**WYOMING**—With greater depth in every position Wyoming's Cowboys, in their second year under Head Coach Phil Dickens, appear to deserve the rating of "the team to beat."

The 'Pokes lost 12 of last year's varsity via graduation. All-Conference tackle "Wimp" Hewgley and guard Dale Haupt, will be especially hard to replace. Others, departing included: ends, Dan Howell and Cedrich Couch; center, Dick Viner;

guard, Bill Demontbreun; tailback, Bob Brush; and blocking backs, Jack Jones and "Corky" Roberts.

Squad strength is, however, the greatest in the school's history with 75 in suit. Of these 13 are 1953 lettermen, plus two from 1952 who did not play last season, and guard Ray Lutterman, back from service, after lettering in 1951.

Wyoming's real strength, however, may well come from its "Red Shirt" brigade. These were boys who came to the campus before Coach Wyatt departed for Arkansas. Ineligible last season they worked out as "red shirts." Among them is Vic Kolenik, who transferred from Tennessee after an appearance in the Cotton Bowl with the Vols, Kolenik may share wingback honors with the Cow-

KENT HARRIS will direct coach John Ronning's version of Split-T in bid to spring Skyline grid upset.

CARL EBERT, vet tackle, is among group of talented players who lifted Uteags to runner-up last season.

DAVE KRAGTHORPE mans other tackle berth on Utah State squad that is fortified with fine sophs.





boys' sensational "fire plug" of 1953, Joe Mastrogiovanni. Dickens has been experimenting with the thought of shifting "Mr. Alphabet," as Mastrogiovanni is known on the Laramie campus, to a blocking back post.

Others expected to stand out are fullback George Galuska and end Buss Carter, both of whom may, with Mastrogiovanni and Kolenik, attain All-Conference rating. Wingback "Chick" Magagna and letterman tackle Dick Pilch are among veterans being heavily counted upon.

The 'Pokes bring up a most promising sophomore group with tailback Jim Crawford and center Vincenzo Guinta likely to win starting berths. These boys looked terrific in Spring drills. Others who will carry a heavy load are tailback Jerry Jester, guard Luke Massengill and tackle Dave Bratcher.

Like Wyatt before him Dickens employs the "Tennessee Wing," which both learned under General Bob Neyland. Dickens, however, teaches a more open game and will, at times, employ some straight "T."

Last season Wyoming started fast, but appeared to weaken as the season moved on. Just the reverse is expected this year. Barring injuries the club appears to be one that should jell to make a strong finish as the "red shirts" and lettermen weld into a unit.

**NEW MEXICO**—If ever the Lobos of New Mexico are to do it this should be their year in Skyline conference play. One danger confronts Coach Bob Titchenal. That is the dread disease "Senioritis." His squad of 50, of which 20 are lettermen, will be senior loaded. The Wolfpack lost 13 from last year's squad. Only two, however, can be said to be severely missed—blocking back and captain Jim Bruenig and guard Ralph Mateucci. Many feel

that Bruenig rated even above linebacker Larry White, who some feel could reach All-America status this season.

In addition to White, New Mexico again has the services of halfback Bobby Lee, the club's leading 1953 ground gainer; end Bobby Morgan, one of the best in the circuit; guard Jay Crampton, a three-year letterman; end Ray Guerette and tackle Jack Eaton. Guard Marlin Pound has All-Conference potential.

Under Titchenal the Lobos will employ the "T", from an unbalanced line. A strong sophomore group, grounded in the "T" as freshmen, is available. Among the most promising are quarterback "Porky" Leyva, a fine ball-handler and good passer; ends Richard Drake and Phil Harris, both capable on offense and defense; and half-pint halfback Jerry Apodaca, who is fast.

New Mexico's real strength should be its line. It has lettermen from end to end. White, 6-0, 193, is in the center. The guards are Crampton, 6-0, 205; and Pound, 6-1, 201; tackles Jack Eaton, 6-4, 220; and Dick Lauderdale, 6-3, 215; and ends Bobby Morgan, 6-2, 185; and Guerette, 6 feet, 185.

If, as expected, sophomore Leyva can pass, the Lobos, for the first time in several seasons, will have an air attack to mix with their ground game. For the latter the club has size and good overall speed. It also has more experience than any team in the circuit.

**UTAH**—The Indians of Utah, defending Skyline champions, again play a bob-tailed conference schedule, missing the dangers of a strong New Mexico club, and of Montana. This short schedule has benefited the Utes in the past and could do so again.

The team, again under the direction of Jack (Grandma) Curtice, inventor and teacher of the

**JIMMY BOWEN**, Denver air artist, completed 71 of 141 passes for 799 yards and 13th ranking in '53.



**FRED TESONE**, Pioneer running threat, managed to total 526 yards rushing in '53 although hampered by injuries after first 3 tilts.



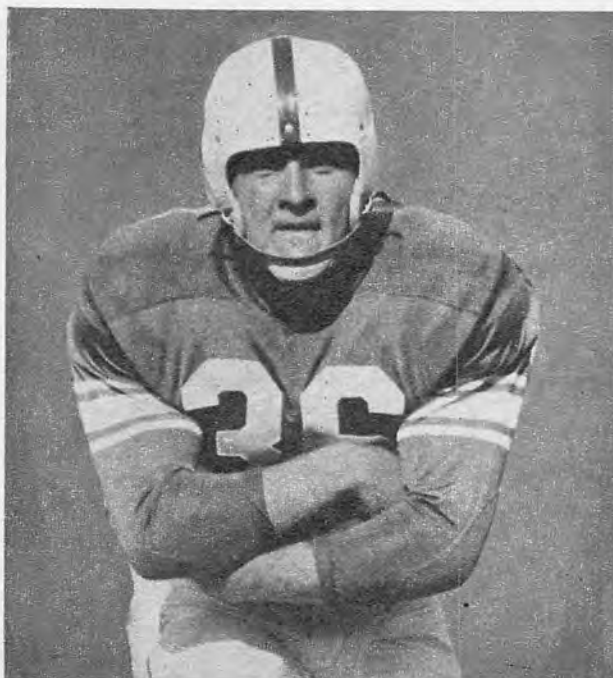
**CHARLES DeLUCA**, only returning lineman on Denver varsity, may shift from center to guard or tackle if soph masters pivot.





**TOM VERBANATZ**, 180-pound 5'-11" fleet-footed Brigham Young end, is expected to reach peak this Fall.

**DON JAMES**, best fullback prospect in Skyline, averaged 10 yards per carry in '53 for Brigham Young.



"Winged T," is well stocked with some 55 squadmen.

The Utes lost 23 men and many of these losses hurt. Don Rydalch, one of the greatest passers in the school's history, graduated. So did Paul Cook, Don Peterson, Jack Cross, Charles (Tiny) Grant, Spike Conley, Jim Durrant, Dave Lewis, Don Jensen, Dick Bubak, Set Branham, Carter Cowley and Morris Nelson. Curtice had called these men "the best ever to wear a Utah uniform."

Fifteen lettermen return. There is not, it would appear, a passer like Rydalch, or a line plunger to compare with Petersen, among them.

However, tackle Don Henderson and end Orville Nellestein may attain All-Conference honors. Others who should be outstanding among the lettermen are Lou Mele at fullback and halfbacks Herb Naaken and Max Pierce.

Among the most promising sophomores are guard "Skip" Ross, tackle Paul Tanner, quarterback Rick Evans and halfback Ken Strong. Evans has potential as a passer.

**UTAH STATE**—The farmers of Utah State Agricultural College under Head Coach John Ronning employ a version of the "Split T" which might better be described as a mixture of "Minnesota Wing and T." They richly deserved runner-up honors in 1953 and cannot be counted out of the same spot in 1954.

The Uteags lost 12 men by graduation. Greatly missed will be DelRay Campbell, Earl Lindley, Ralph Cavallucci, George Hotchkins and Lewis Edwards.

Of the 45-man squad 14 are returning lettermen. And among them are the lads who carried much of the club's power in 1953.

Outstanding should be tackles Dave Kragthorpe and Carl Ebert, guard Maurice Whitaker, end Charles Hatch and Kent Harris at quarterback. Also, in the backfield will be Tom Lorenat and Dick Toner.

The Farmers fielded one of their best freshman clubs last season and up from it are some most promising boys. Fullback Norm Prince, along with halfback Ezar Smith, looked brilliant in Spring drills. Joe Bibavizzi at center, John Milillo at guard, Tom Ramage at tackle and Frank Merchant at end could win starting roles.

**DENVER**—Long buried in a field of ivy, Denver University, under a new athletic loving president, Dr. Chester Alter, and Head Coach Bob Blackman, has pretty well cut its way through the strangling growth. The Denver Pioneers could be the surprise team of the league.

A lot—perhaps all—depends on how the sophomores from the best yearling club in the school's history perform as varsitymen. There will be 23 on the 60-man squad learning the V-formation which Blackman brought with him from Pasadena Junior College.

The Pioneers lost 13 lettermen, including some



good linemen: tackles Martin Hicks and Moana Kaloi; guards Bob Nyman and Mason Gilfry; and ends Dick Kenny and John Biviano. Sophomores must develop to fill these spots.

The Pioneer backfield remains almost intact. In all there will be 17 lettermen on the squad—15 from last season—and fullback Dan Biro and tackle Jay Schnitker, returning servicemen who lettered previously.

Outstanding are pass-pitching Jim Bowen, a quarterback; halfbacks Fred Tesone and Fred Mahaffey and center Charles DeLuca. Bowen could be the league's outstanding passer. Among his potential receivers is sophomore end Ernie Pitts, a rangy Negro boy of whom great things are expected. Other promising sophomores include halfbacks Fred Boehm and Charles Bernard, both big and fast; fullback Bill Korn, who may wind up as blocking back in the "V Formation"; and tackle Nick Angele.

Denver's story will come from the guards and the tackles. If they develop the Pioneers, who did not win a conference game in 1952 and defeated only Brigham Young in league play last season, could finish as high as fourth.

**COLORADO A. & M.**—Colorado Agricultural College at Fort Collins believes it has found in quarterback Gary Glick the one factor it lacked in 1953. That is inspirational leadership—a "take charge guy" on the field.

Head Coach Bob Davis, has moved Glick from fullback to direct the Split T. The Aggies have a somewhat smaller squad than the majority of conference schools—about 40 men. Of these 13 are lettermen, with some very promising sophomores coming up.

Aggies lost seven from the 1953 team. And some will be difficult to replace. Gone are end Kirk

Hinderlider, an outstanding pass receiver; Bob Rollins, Joe Mohorcich, Kay Dalton, Alex Burl, the fastest man in the conference; and Al Dorsey.

Among outstanding lettermen are halfback Dick Braun, guard Loren Reid, center Bill Tavener and halfback Jim Hartman. Tavener is considered almost certain All-Conference, as is Braun.

Leon Glick, a younger brother of the converted quarterback, is counted upon to win a starting guard job while Gerald Schrem, at fullback, lends replacement strength.

**MONTANA**—Prospects at Montana, where 62 men—three times the number that reported in 1953—are on hand, are brighter than at any time since the school left the Pacific Coast Conference.

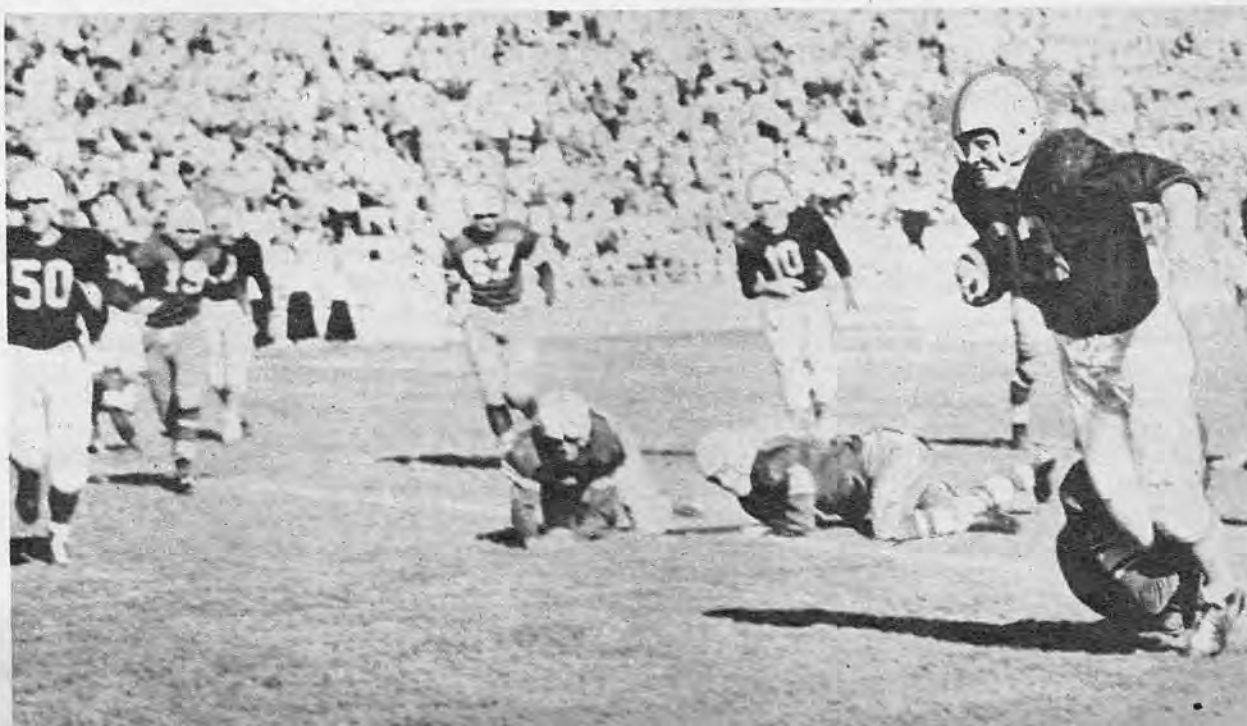
Head Coach Eddie Chinske, who employs the straight "T," lost five important cogs from his rather surprising 1953 team. Vince Barone, one of the best tackles in the league, was drafted into the Armed Services. Others lost by graduation were Jim Burke, guard; Joe Roberts, center; and Owen Deuchler, tackle.

Eighteen lettermen return. These include Dick Imer, held by many to have been the most valuable halfback in the conference last season, and Dick Heath, a brilliant passing quarterback. Others returning are Murdo Campbell, a right half who played every position in the backfield last season; Joe DeLuca, guard; Paul Westkamp, tackle; and Dale Schupe, halfback.

Among the new men who have shown promise is Bob Miles, a 220-pound tackle, who returns from Service. Miles had a year of play with Tulsa University. Buck Gehring, a 215-pound tackle, transferred from Olympic Junior College as did Earl Shaw, a 185-pound fullback.

Montana had a good freshman squad and up from it for sophomore competition are halfbacks

**BUS CONNORS**, Idaho State Junior and All-Conference fullback, is being brought down after good gain in Western State game. In background are quarterback Larry Brackenbury (10) and center Vern Ravsten (50).





RAY SCHOESSLER, 180-pound guard, will be a factor in Montana State's climb up League ladder.

Bobby Powell and Pat Monno, guard Bob McGihon, fullback Eddie Gron, a 205-pounder who is very fast, and Hugo Atamian, 220-pound tackle.

In Imer and Heath Montana has two fine backs—Imer a runner, Heath a passer. Heath did not attain his potential last year simply because he did not have capable receivers. Chinske hopes Campbell, from the halfback spot, may solve part of this trouble.

Greater depth, in all positions, will be helpful and if the passing attack develops the club may finish higher than expected.

**BRIGHAM YOUNG**—Brigham Young University has been called "The Mormon Notre Dame." A church school, it has been hit, athletically, in the past by players being assigned to missions on the eve of a sports season.

The Cougars, under Head Coach Charles (Chick) Atkinson, expect little, if any, of this trouble in 1954. The largest squad in many years, 85 men, turned out for Spring drills, and more than 70 were in suit in the Fall.

Twelve of last year's lettermen were lost. These included Red Stolworthy, a fine fullback; Don Wood, halfback; Lavon Satterfield, quarterback; George Bowman, tackle; DeRay Eyre and Merrill Hardy, guards; and Dewey Brundage, a fine end.

Twenty lettermen have returned. Outstanding among them is Marion Probert, an end whom Atkinson believes is of All-America ability. Others who lettered are Phil Oyler, halfback; Don James, fullback; Dick Felt, halfback; Famika Anae, guard; Jerry Lundberg, end; and Will Stolworthy, half.

The Cougars fielded a fine freshman club last season. As sophomores these boys will, Atkinson feels, help considerably: Ivan Anderson, guard; Max Frampton, center; Tavita Fitsemann, tackle; Marlo Holland, end; and Dave Hanks and Jay Weenig, tackles.

"The Y" should be strong at quarterback. Lettermen Henry West and Ron Bean will probably get the starter calls. However, they are being pressed by Bob Olson, who recently won the national junior ice skating speed title. He is a transfer from Glendale J.C. and is proving a fine passer. Dick Porterfield, a sophomore, is another prospect.

The team will have depth and speed. It will be green, however.

#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE

**IDAHO STATE**—Like other schools in the Rocky Mountain "Little Six" the Vandals of Idaho State College go into the 1954 season handicapped by the Spring practice ban.

Head Coach Italo (Babe) Cassia is fortunate in having 17 returning lettermen, drilled in his version of the "T," as well as outstanding sophomores from what many believe was the best freshman group in the school's history.

Eleven of last year's champions were lost by graduation. Among those whose absence will be felt are Nolan Ford, Percy Christensen, Vern Ravsten and Merlin Howard.

Lettermen assured of starting berths are tackle Howard Green and halfback Doran (Bus) Connors, both All-Conference in 1953. Other outstanding lettermen are guard Bill Fuger, quarterback Larry Brackenbury, halfback Larry Kent and ends Jim Cherry and Lee Bartlett.

Outstanding sophomores are Paul Tripp, a big tackle; Tom Zaun, a good passing quarterback; and Art Miller, a speedy halfback.

Cassia's club last year was dominated by sophomores and juniors. This was true of most clubs in the league. With last season's experience the Vandals will be more rugged, but the league as a whole will be tougher. However, Idaho State, which went through an undefeated season in 1952, and again won the title in 1953, appears to be headed for another championship.

**MONTANA STATE**—The Bobcats of Montana State College under Head Coach Tony Storti have been moving up the league ladder. Many feel this could be the club's year.

A squad of 45, big for the school, answered the bell. But five lettermen were lost—Tom Parac, All-Conference quarterback, and Bill Roney, All-Conference center, being the two whose absence will hurt most.

Eighteen lettermen are back, however. Outstanding in this group should be end Vic Berra, guards Ray Schoessler and Jim Arqueris, tackle Herb Roberts and halfbacks Frank Landon and Harvey Wylie.

Some promising sophomores are giving the vet-



erans a battle for positions. Among them are Don Edwards at fullback and center Don Rockey. Storti expects Berra, Roberts, Schoessler and Arqueris to rate All-Conference consideration.

**WESTERN STATE**—Most improved club in the conference, and the one which could upset the apple cart, is Western State College at Gunnison, Colorado. It is definitely the strongest of the four Colorado clubs. Under Head Coach W. M. (Pete) Pederson, who installed the "Split T" last season, the Mountaineers have their largest squad in suit—40 men. They lost but three lettermen, including their pass-pitching quarterback Don Price and Bob Foster, an outstanding guard.

Bill Rhodes, All-Conference halfback, has returned as has Jim Roser, another half. Phil Knaupp has been moved from tackle to right end and Jim Richards from guard to center. Pederson believes this year, Rhodes, Roser and Knaupp will rate All-Conference consideration.

In 1953 Western State finished fifth in the nation in rushing, among small colleges, and Rhodes was seventh, individually, as a ground-gainer. This despite the fact that the coaching staff was new, as was the system.

**COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES**—Although it has won its share of games and championships, Colorado Mines, at Golden, likes to say this is one school where football is played for fun. This relates to the study load required of all students, with classes often limiting practice to one or two sessions a week.

This year, barring "flunk outs" the Ore-diggers, under Head Coach Fritz Brenneke, will field a numerically strong club. Forty-four men make up the squad, with 18 of these lettermen. Mines suffered some hurtful losses, chiefly in the line where tackles Ed Heath, Kent Miller, Don Richardson and Wilson Little graduated, leaving this all important spot in the Single Wing without experience. Also graduated were guards Mort Kline and Jack Fowler, and end Charles Russel.

The club is light. Its outstanding returning linemen are guard Bob Howard, 180; ends Jim Neal, 180, and Bob Doll, 185. Bill Westhoff, senior wingback, is an All-Conference bet. Tom Carroll, a promising sophomore, could capture the tailback starting berth.

Highly rated freshmen include Carroll and Vance Bridges, brothers, both tailbacks. They are light, but speedy. Paul Klobberdanz, although 165, is a driving fullback prospect. Guards John Coats and Jerry McCloud, both 185, will see much action.

The loss of four lettermen tackles may be partly alleviated by Hank Snyders, who lettered three years ago, entered the service, and has returned weighing 195.

**COLORADO STATE**—This teachers college where John Hancock, dean of coaches in the Rocky Mountain area has moved up to the athletic directorship, has as new head coach Virgil (Joe) Lindahl. He

served as Hancock's assistant in 1953 and will continue teaching the "Split T."

A squad of 40 men make up the Bears' roster. The club suffered few losses by graduation. Most hurtful was Dick Porter, a fine running and passing back. Others who departed were Ivan Kelly, Hoy Frakes, Phil Gose and Jack O'Rourke.

Thirteen lettermen return. Outstanding are guard Jerry McMillen, a small college All-America candidate; Bert Phillips, half; Leonard Prothe, tackle; Bob Lord and Jack Adams, halfback; and Bob Mantooth, quarterback.

Highly regarded sophomores include centers Bob Herron and Dan Mandich, quarterback John Colgate, tackle Dave Hochtritt and fullback Leonard Campbell.

**COLORADO COLLEGE**—Some heavy losses and a new head coach are factors which make the picture at Colorado College, at Colorado Springs, a bit dark. Replacing Bill Heiss, resigned, is Head Coach Roy Robertson from Nebraska Wesleyan. And gone, by way of graduation, is Lowell Slocum, one of the most brilliant backs in the history of the school which gave football Earl (Dutch) Clark. Also, among the 14 lettermen who departed are center Ken Baird and guards Terry Burke and Dick Pearson, strong members of last season's team.

Fourteen lettermen return. Highest rated of these are end Wally Bennett, tackle Art Elder, quarterback Wally Prebis, fullback Roger Bildstein and halfback Doug Swail.

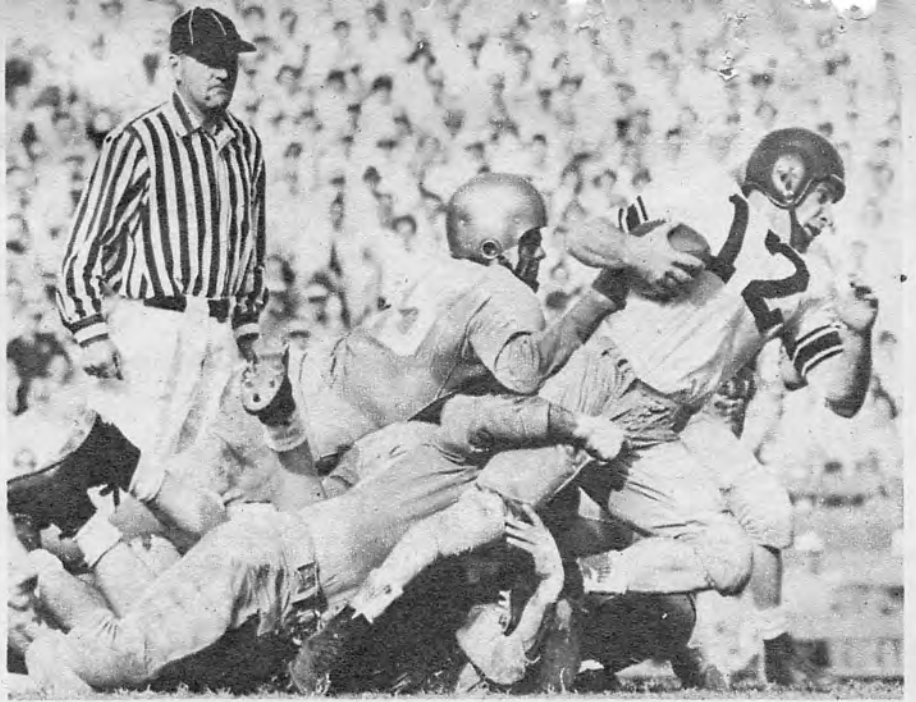
The biggest barrier in Robertson's path is the time necessary to switch to his "Winged T." Without Spring drills this had to be taught in the Fall.

**JERRY McMILLEN**, solid Colorado State guard, is an outstanding candidate for All-Conference honors.





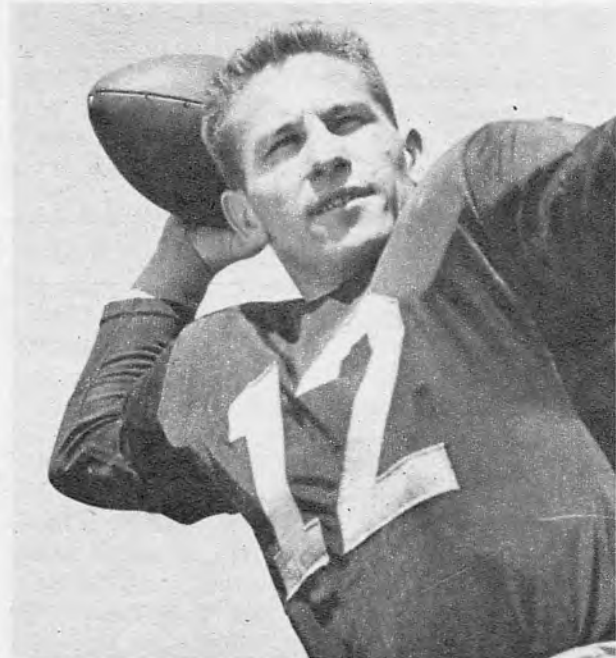
PAUL CAMERON, UCLA ace pops out of Wisconsin tacklers' arms on way to score.



PAUL LARSON, California mainstay, strains mightily but UCLA line hangs on to stop nation's total offense leader in '53 tilt.



JIM CARMICHAEL, California end, ranks with top pass receivers in PCC as Bears take aim at crown.



PASS MASTER also, Bears' Larson is steady threat by land and air as he directs California offense.

MATT HAZELTINE, 6'-2" California center, rates with best pivots on Coast.



HAL NORRIS is lone returning veteran guard on Golden Bears' line.



BOB OLIVER, 230-pound tackle, is again set to give Cal foes a hard time.







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# Pacific Coast

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### PREDICTIONS

#### Pacific Coast

1. California
2. U. C. L. A.
3. So. California
4. Oregon
5. Washington
6. Stanford
7. Washington State
8. Oregon State
9. Idaho

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**P**ACIFIC COAST football teams take on the most rugged intersectional schedule in history in addition to locking each other in combat for championship and Rose Bowl rights.

Virtually every eleven now being considered for the national championship gets a shot at Pacific Coast Conference squads including Oklahoma, Maryland, Notre Dame, Illinois, Michigan State, Texas, Pittsburgh, etc. Seventeen intersectionals of importance are booked.

Out of the mass of fratricidal games California's Golden Bears are favored to emerge champions and take the west's honor into the Rose Bowl.

To do so, Coach Lynn Waldorf's lads are going to have trouble side-tracking U.C.L.A., the team Henry Sanders found inadequate against Michigan State in Pasadena last New Year's day.

As usual, Southern California is expected to be a stout contender and out of the northwest comes the report that Oregon is prepared to give everyone fits if Coach Len Casanova can find enough reserves.

Among the independents College of Pacific and San Jose State again have standout teams. COP faces a rugged schedule, comparable to that of the conference teams.

There's a host of All-America talent spread across the western seaboard including four quarterbacks most any team would like to have. The list is headed by California's Paul Larson, nation's leading offensive back last year; George Shaw of Oregon, who has been terrific in the last two years; Sandy Lederman, fine passer for Washington, and Bill Jacobs, another star thrower for College of Pacific.

Other promising backs include Joe Ulm of San Jose; Lindon Crow and a sophomore named John Arnett at Southern California; and Ernie Dorn of Stanford.

Two fine centers, Matt Hazeltine of California and Ron Pheister of Oregon; a great tackle, Jack Ellena and Jim Salsbury, a guard at UCLA, round out the list.

Only one new coach has stepped into the picture. He is Skip Stahley who assumed the dubious task of trying to keep Idaho in the Pacific Coast conference swim.

### PACIFIC COAST CONFERENCE

**CALIFORNIA**—Coach Lynn Waldorf looks with feigned fear upon the impending football season. The fear of his opponents is real, because California should be back in power this Fall.

The Golden Bear mentor says his team should be rated the underdog in four of the 10 games scheduled—Oklahoma, Ohio State, UCLA and Southern California. He could get some agreement only on the opener with the Sooners.

Paul Larson, who led the nation in total offense last Fall with his great running and passing, is the key man in the Bear offensive program. Just where Waldorf will fit this key is the question. A great left half in 1952, he was even better at quarter last year when injuries to other quarterbacks made the switch necessary.

Now the Bears have in sophomore Ronnie Knox a T quarterback everyone is convinced must get the starting call. Waldorf had him playing second fiddle to Larson last Spring but the best guess was that both will be on the field together when the chips are down this Fall.

The offensive threat is obvious, especially with fine backfield support from a quartet of veterans like John Wilson, Jerry Drew, halves; and Steve Dimeff and Tom Kramer. Add the name of sophomore Herb Jackson, best sprinter on the Bear track team last Spring.

California has 19 returning letter winners from the team that finished the season in a blaze of glory and the first eleven will embrace ten of these unless Waldorf puts Larson and Knox in the backfield together.

Of the 16 men lost, the only real strain put on the coaches was at guard where Hal Norris is the lone returning veteran. The middle of the California line has lots of help from a chap named Matt Hazeltine whom most observers thought was the best center in the West.

Cliff Wright, 220-pounder, is the only non-letterman in the starting line which follows the usual California pattern of being hefty. The veteran tackles are Bob Oliver and Don Philips and the first string ends are Jim Hanifan and Jim Carmichael, excellent on defense and capable as pass receivers.

This could be the most explosive offensive team Waldorf has yet had at California.

**U. C. L. A.**—The Bruins may well come up with a team as good as the one which won the Pacific Coast conference championship last year. Off hand this may not seem to add up considering that Coach Henry (Red) Sanders lost eight of his 11 Rose Bowl starters, including the entire backfield headed by Paul Cameron, the All-America.

The point is that 21 Bruin letter winners are back. The line could be the best in the West and Sanders is not exactly lacking for ball carriers.

Primo Villanueva, the 160-pounder who understudied Cameron, shoulders the left halfback burden under the Uclan single wing attack this Fall and is backed up by Sam Brown, who also was on hand a year ago, and Doug Bradley, a sophomore sensation in Spring practice.

Johnny Hermann, who showed flashes of ability in 1953 and Jim Decker, a former Santa Clara player, have right half under control. At fullback Bob Davenport is

good, but he will have to improve to keep Don Shinnick or Bob Bergdahl, two sophomores, from taking over.

To strengthen the blocking back spot Terry Debay has been shifted to center and Steve Palmer has been moved up from the line to spell Gerry Okuneff at quarterback.

Sanders might come up with some new offensive frills this Fall like the "Split-Wing" in addition to his Single Wing and Short Punt formations. He also should have better pass receivers than in 1953.

The line is solid, rugged, fast and has depth of reserves. Rommie Loudd and Bob Long are backed by two other lettermen at each of the end positions. Jack Ellena, an All-America prospect, and Joe Ray, have veteran support at the tackles.

Jim Salsbury, another fine performer, and Sam Boghosian are the best of several good guards and Johnny Peterson returns at center.

Getting back to the offensive potential, Villanueva probably is a better passer and has more speed than Cameron possessed, but lacks the power. Last year the Bruins relied more on running plays. This Fall it is apt to be just the other way around. At least, the attack will be more evenly balanced between the ground and air.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**—For the first time in several seasons the Trojans seem shy of what it takes to win a championship.

Coach Jess Hill's line lacks experience in depth, especially at the ends, and Jess lost three of his top quarterbacks as well as two fullbacks, among the 20 veterans no longer on hand.

The Trojans can, and will probably field a starting eleven of lettermen and they have a shining new offensive hope in Jon Arnett, a 191-pound sophomore left halfback, who was the sensation of Spring training drills.

Arnett might, in fact, supplant the veteran Aramis Dandoy and speedster Jim Decker, who were plagued with injuries last season. Decker can be expected to show up at fullback on occasion, but the starting spot must go to Gordon Duvall, lone returning letter man.



JACK ELLENA, 212-pound tackle for UCLA, rates as All-America candidate.



BOB DAVENPORT, defensive standout for UCLA, is also attacking threat on spinners and power plays into line from fullback position.

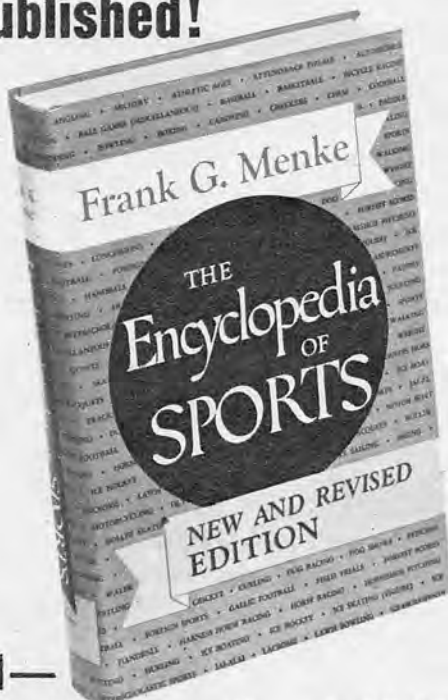
PRIMO VILLANUEVA, understudy to Paul Cameron, is now key Uclan.





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Lindon Crow, swift and alert, returns at right halfback and Jim Contratto still is around at quarterback. His ability in passing can be of value here, especially if Southern California makes much use of the Split-T, which, with the Wing-T has been added to the Trojan Single Wing and tight T offense.

Southern California lost four veteran ends. The result is that Leon Clarke and Chuck Greenwood will be backed here with players lacking experience. However, both are good. Mario DaRe and Ed Fouch are much in the same position at tackle.

George Galli and Orlando Ferrante stand out among the guards on hand. The Trojans have their best depth at center where Marv Goux backs up Vern Sampson. This all seems to add up to a weaker line but the backfield could develop to be stronger than it was in 1953, especially if Arnett comes through and Dandoy and Decker retain their health.

**OREGON** — The Webfoots last Rose tournament game was 1920.

It is not at all beyond the realm of possibility that they will represent the conference in Pasadena on New Year's day, because Coach Len Casanova has the finest prospects since they played in the Cotton Bowl five years ago.

The second best defensive team in the circuit last Fall, Oregon has the potential of a fine offense, too, this year. All the Webfoots need is a little luck against injuries so that Casanova doesn't have to dig too deeply into the reserves.

This offense will be built around George Shaw, quarterback, who is so versatile that he also played halfback and end because of his pass-catching ability. Under the T he is, of course, a sharp passer, a steady kicker, a good runner and perhaps the best defensive back in the West.

The return of Wally Russell from the army gives Casanova a fine substitute for Shaw and this jack-of-all-trades is apt to do more pass catching than he did last season.

Sophomore Jasper McGee, a 208-pounder, is such a good fullback that he is expected to replace

veteran Dean VanLeuven and another letter winner, Larry Rose. The halfbacks are Dick James and Walt Gaffney. James was the third best ground gainer in the conference in 1953. He's supported at left half by another sophomore sensation, Tom Crabtree.

Oregon had a weakness in lack of consistent pass receivers last year, a problem Casanova must solve if the Webfoots are to get to Pasadena.

His first string ends are John Reed and Dick Mobley, both veterans. The real line strength is from tackle to tackle. Hal Reeve, 226-pounder and Keith Tucker, 192, have only a slight edge over Lon Stiner Jr. and Harry Johnson.

Many observers considered 224-pound Jack Patera was the best guard in the West last year. The only non-veteran on the line is Dick Yecny, the other starting guard. Capt. Ron Pheister, center, is rated with Matt Hazeltine of California as one of the best in the nation.

Oregon has a total of 20 lettermen returning and lost only 10 from the team that had no more than two touchdowns scored on it in any game last year.

**WASHINGTON** — The Huskies start the season with a fine set of backs and a line of questionable ability.

Coach John Cherberg, in his second year as head mentor, faces a serious problem in getting replacements up front to make his attack function and keep the opposition at bay.

The Huskies have one of the best passers extant in Sandy Lederman and he is backed up by two other capable quarterbacks, Jerry Redmond and Bob Cox.

Mike Monroe, 196-pound fullback who was injured early last year, should give the team the driving power it lacked a year ago. Two veterans, Bill Albrecht and Stewart Crook, get first call at the halfbacks. They are supported by Jack Kyllingstad and Bob Dunn, both letter winners, and several potential sophomore stars.

Washington will miss a pair of fine pass catching ends, George Black and Doug McClary, Jim Houston is the only experienced flankmen returning. He will team



LINDON CROW, speedy right halfback, adds punch to veteran Trojans.

ARAMIS DANDLOY, plagued by injuries, battles for USC tailback spot.





**SANDY LEDERMAN**, Washington senior, quarterback, makes Huskies scoring threat with accurate aerials.



**EARL MONLUX**, Huskies guard, is great blocker on wide plays and stalwart defender who adds vet's savvy to line which may need some bolstering.



**MIKE MONROE**, fullback absent due to injury last year, should give Huskies driving power they lacked.

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**ERNIE DORN**, Stanford halfback, averaged 3.8 yards-per-carry while gaining 292 yards for Indians in '53.



**JOHN STEWART** faces tough job of moving into wing spot at Stanford on heels of great air trio lost by graduation after seeing limited '53 action.



**WIN WEDGE**, 5'-10" and 205 pounds, is slated for extensive action at tackle post as Stanford lacks reserve depth up front as well as in backfield this year.



with Steve Boake. Both are light, but fast.

Inside the ends the Huskies have size, but lack depth in experience. Jerry Esser, a veteran, and George Strugar, a 225-pound sophomore get the call at first string tackle with inexperienced hands in support.

Things are not much better at guard where Earl Manlux, a letterman, and Frank Nelson, a junior with limited experience, will perform. Pete Arrivey, who backed up graduating captain Vern Lindskog at center in 1953, appears best of the pivot men.

**STANFORD**—When a coach loses the No. 1 passer in the nation and two of the top four receivers in the land he has some offensive rebuilding to do.

That's the problem of Coach Chuck Taylor at Stanford this Fall. Taylor lost 13 other veterans including several fine linemen, so it is safe to presume that the Indians will be well off the 1953 pace when they almost stole the title.

The three who constituted the finest passing attack in college circles last year were, of course, Bob Garrett on the pitching end and Sam Morley and John Steinberg, receivers.

Coach Taylor can start a team of letter winners but it is safe to wager it includes no threesome such as these. Jack Gebert, who saw very limited action in 1953 is his quarterback. John Stewart and Ron Bush likewise earned letters while spelling Morley and Stein-

berg at the end spots. They face the impossible task of making Stanford fans forget the 1953 trio.

Jarvis Watson at full and Bill Tarr and Ernie Dorn, halfbacks who supplied an average sort of running attack to go with the aerial game last year, complete the first string backfield. Only one other letterman is on hand in the backfield. He is Bill Rogers, halfback.

Things are a little better at tackle where Win Wedge and Matt Armitage are returning. Roy Krickeberg of last year's line and Paul Revak of the 1952 team or Tony Mosich who had limited experience last season are best of the guards. Jerry Goldberg, No. 2 center a year ago, moves up this Fall.

Like the backfield, the line reserves are, for the most part sophomores or men who did not play enough a year ago to win their numerals.

The team probably will be one of the lightest in the West.

**WASHINGTON STATE**—A line two teams deep in veterans and a backfield composed largely of last year's reserves carry Washington State's hopes this Fall.

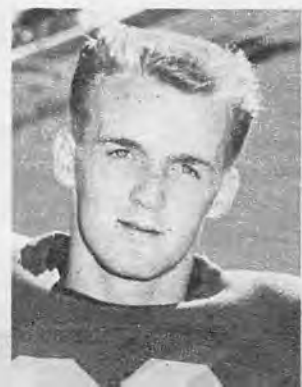
Coach Al Kircher started rebuilding his backfield in the closing games of 1953 but the Cougars still have a long way to go.

If Bob Miller, a 205-pound sophomore halfback, lives up to expectations he will give the Washington State offense a terrific lift. Miller undoubtedly will play behind Mert Purnell and Dick Med-

**FRANK SARNO**, a fine Single Wing blocker, is capable play-caller for Washington State as well as good passer and fine line-backer when Cougars go defense.



**BOB IVERSON**, converted halfback, is slated to share quarterback spot with Sarno due to superior passing ability. Both are juniors who won varsity letters.



**ARNIE PELLUER**, Washington St. end, is a fine pass receiver and a fast alert flanker for Cougars on defense.



lock for the first game or two because of lack of experience.

Jim Hagerty and Dennis Rath are expected to divide honors at right half. Chuck Beckel is the best of three lettermen at full. Coach Kircher is expected to alternate Frank Sarno and Bob Iverson at quarter. Iverson is the team's best passer but Sarno is the superior team general.

The Cougars have some fine ends in Arnie Pelluer and Russ Quackenbush, juniors. Both are fast and adept at snagging passes.

Gerald Brockey and Tom Gunnari probably will start at the tackle positions but will have trouble holding top honors while two other veterans, Joe Polowski and Ted Brose retain their health.

The best of several good guards are Jim Welch or Carl Strand on the right side and Doug Leifeste at the left guard spot.

Probably the only line position weakened by graduation was center where Skip Pixley and Bruce Nevitt have the inside track. With two exceptions, Coach Kircher's starting eleven is made up of juniors.

**OREGON STATE**—If sophomores from the best freshman team in the school's history come through Coach Kip Taylor will field a much improved eleven over that of 1953.

Taylor's chief backfield problem is to find a right halfback. All of his four experienced men were lost by graduation. Sophomore Elvin Daggett looks best of the new candidates. Jack Peterson of last year's team appears to have left halfback sewed up although Willie Kealoha of the sophomore ranks is promising.

Two fine sophomores, Bob Clark and Ray Westfall, may nudge veteran Jim Withrow out of the quarterback assignment. Oregon State has two letter men in Tommy Little and Jim Rock at fullback.

The Beaver line should be much improved. Coach Taylor can and probably will start seven lettermen up front. The best of these probably is Bill Johnson, 200-pound right guard. There are five veteran guards on hand but Bob Riggert is the likely starter at the left side.

Wes Ediger, a 220-pounder and Dick Van Lom appear to be the



BOB HAINES, 6-foot-1 junior, takes on task of directing T attack newly installed by Idaho's coach Stahley.

TED FROSTENSON, 186-pound halfback, has two varsity letters to credit as he resumes chores for the Vandals.



GEORGE EIDAM, 6'-2" senior, is the other signal caller among 21 lettermen as coach brews T for Idaho.



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best of four veteran ends. Taylor has five lettermen seeking the tackle spots. The best of these are John Hall and Howard Buettgenbach. Larry Stevens, second string center a year ago, has moved up to No. 1.

Oregon State has 20 lettermen returning and lost 12. However, Coach Taylor is expected to lean heavily on his sophomores in quest of a passing attack and speed in his offense.

**IDAHO**—Chances are that Coach Skip Stahley, new head mentor for the Idaho Vandals, will find the task of collecting victories as difficult as have any of the school's previous pilots.

He inherits 21 lettermen and has installed the T formation. The presence of three sophomores on the first eleven indicates that the new coach feels he will be able to field a better team than the one that won only one game in 1953.

Idaho plays only three Pacific Coast conference foes and therefore cannot qualify for championship or Rose Bowl consideration.

Coach Stahley's standout back may be Flip Kleffner at right half, if he recovers from an injury suffered last season. If not, the assignment goes to Ray Bittner. Ted Frostenson, a senior, gets the call at left half over a pair of other veterans.

Bill Baxter, first year man, ap-

pears to have side-tracked Ed Allison and Dee Hall, two lettermen, at full. Veterans George Eidam and Bob Haines will fight it out for quarterback.

Paul Giles and Frank Teverbaugh, ends; Jerry Leigh and Mike Hepler, tackles; Burdette Hess and Ed Resa, guards, and Ed Barton, center, constitute the first string line. Of these Resa and Hepler are sophomores.

The Vandal team is exceptionally light and replacements, as usual, are thin.

### INDEPENDENTS

**COLLEGE OF THE PACIFIC**—The West abounds in fine pass throwing quarterbacks this Fall and College of the Pacific avers it has one who can pitch the Tigers to national prominence.

His name is Bill Jacobs and if he lives up to promise Coach Jack Myers' team may be the top independent eleven on the coast despite a schedule that is as tough as that of most conference teams.

COP lost Roy Ottoson, one of the top passers in the nation, and Ken Buck, No. 2 receiver in the land, but it is entirely possible that Jacobs and his best catcher, A. D. Williams will make Tiger fans quickly forget this pair.

Coach Myers can field a veteran first team and has good experienced replacements. His major

problem will be to find a running attack to match his aerial offense.

In addition to Jacobs, who is the best defensive man on the eleven, too, he has Ken Swearingen, fast junior college transfer at left half; Dewey Tompkins at right half and Ted Case at full. Tompkins was out last year because of an injury.

Williams is a 210-pound end and his fellow flanker at the right end spot is Jim Collins, 214. Gene Cronin and Buzz Lally, tackles; Buzz Williams and Neven Hulsey, guards and Jim Timms, center, are backed up with experienced reserves. Hulsey and Timms are rated among the best linemen in the West.

**SAN JOSE STATE**—With all but three key players returning and strong additions to the squad, the Spartans challenge College of the Pacific for top western honors among the independents.

Coach Bob Bronzan frankly considers this the finest squad personnel-wise in the history of the school with 20 letter men returning along with top junior college transfers and sophomores.

He believes his T quarterback, Benny Pierce, to be as good as the best in the West. The passing potential is augmented with a fine running attack led by Joe Ulm. This 193-pound fullback scored 11 touchdowns in his first four games of 1953 and was setting the na-

**CLOSING IN . . .** A row of College of Pacific tacklers—Bill Jacobs, Al Dattola, Stan Swanson, Charles Washington and Gene Ulm (left to right) converge on Kent Harris of Utah State in classic won by COP 20-14, last year.





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tional pace in ground gained until benched by an ineligibility technicality.

Performing with this impressive pair in the San Jose backfield will be two experienced halfbacks, Roy Hiram and Leon O'Neill. Hiram was a sensation in 1952 but sat 1953 out because of injuries.

Coach Bronzan expects Clarence Wessman, 235-pound, 6 ft. 4 in., end, to implement his passing attack as Pierce's chief target. The other starting end will be Charles Hardy.

The rest of the first string line is veteran and rugged. The tackles are Jack Crawford, 234, and Jack Adams, 218, Stan Galas and Tom Louderback, guards and Jerry Ruse, center, also scale in at 200 pounds or over.

**COLLEGE OF IDAHO**—With seven of his starting eleven gone from an outstanding team of 1953, Coach Sam Vokes, faces a rebuilding job, especially in the backfield.

Returning lettermen in the line give him seven forwards on the first squad with ample size. All but two scale over 200 pounds. He has Bill Kundrat and R. C. Owens, ends; Ted Shannon and Joe Kaha-



JIM TIMMS, 211-pound senior center, boasts three varsity letters and assures College of Pacific line power.

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hawai, tackles; Rano Sullivan and Lou Korach, guards, and Pete Douroux, center.

His lone returning backfield veterans are Ed Bonaminio and Gary Collins at the halves. Bill Shannon holds promise at fullback but Coach Vokes is undecided who his quarterback will be.

**SAN FRANCISCO STATE**—Coach Joe Verducci expects San Francisco State to come up with a fancy passing attack built around quarterback Dick Ellis, a star while in the service, and George Wehner, end, a leading receiver

**BENNY PIERCE**, has potential for making San Jose State great this Fall.



**JOE ULM**, 193-pound San Jose State fullback is on his way to a 40-yard touchdown run during game that ended in defeat for Idaho, 34-6 last year.



among the nation's small colleges in 1953.

The success of the team, however, will depend a great deal on freshmen and transfers.

San Francisco's backfield will include, besides Ellis, Walt Gomez at fullback and Richard Nave and Harry Bremond at the halfback spots.

With Wehner at end on the first team line will be Tony Fardella. Tackles are Dan Logue and Roy Nonella; guards, Jess Jones and Bob Dreyer and the center, Larry Conover.

**PEPPERDINE**—Thirteen lettermen and two players fresh from the armed service fortify the Waves of Pepperdine this Fall.

Coach Gordon McEachron is especially high on Frank Williams, 200-pound quarterback who is a fine passer and excellent runner. With Williams in the backfield will be Rudy Osuna and Don Webster, halfbacks, and Pat Bandy, fullback.

Jim Galceran and Wayne Smith, ends; Sid Shue and Virgil Elwess, tackles; Jim McGhee and Tom Nowlin, guards and Leon Evans, center, appear to be his best linemen.

**CALIFORNIA AGGIES** — Coach Will Lotter has 17 lettermen back

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and if his backfield replacements come up to expectations the team will be improved over 1953.

The current eleven is blessed with an experienced line that has ample weight. Duane Damron and Don Donsing, ends; Marty Fineman and Dick Herringer, tackles; Ted Johnson and John Siemens, guards and Mike Hill, center, compose the starting forward wall.

Lou Hausmann, a veteran 195-pound fullback, is the standout in the backfield. With him will be Bill Rizzini, quarterback, and Paul Clary and Charles Messick, halfbacks.

**HUMBOLDT STATE**—Coach Phil Sarboe has 18 returning lettermen but his Lumberjacks face a tough schedule.

Several junior college transfers including a pair of 220-pound tackles will help.

He can field a veteran line composed of Bob Eggers and Ray Mechals, ends; Fred Yost and Jerry Austin, tackles; Red Pettersson and Jim Ingram guards and Jim McAuley, center.

In the backfield the Lumberjacks have Jerry Smith, quarter; Lewis Bigler, fullback and Keith Darling and Hank Yamagata, halfbacks.

**NEVADA**—Coach Hugh Smithwick is counting strongly on the outstanding passing and ball handling of quarterback Ed Jesse.

Seventeen lettermen are returning and, with the exception of the fullback spot, the probable starting eleven will consist of veterans.

With Jesse in the backfield are Lee Schroeder and Joe Leal at the halfbacks and George Mross, fullback.

On the line the Wolves will be represented by Don Jones and Joe Lash, ends; Ron Einstross and Mile Leslie, tackles; Boyce Ford and Stan Drakulich, guards and Rollen Melton, center.

**WILLAMETTE**—Coach Ted Ogdahl has 17 returning lettermen and will probably start a veteran first team.

Victory prospects appear better than they were last season, due to a stronger line that includes two outstanding players in Dean Benson, end, and Andy George, guard.



The first team line shapes up with Benson and Phil McCallister, ends; Dave Anderson and Dale Greenlee, tackles; George and Bob Dyer, guards, and Ken Cooper, center.

A light, fast backfield includes Harvey Neffendorf, quarterback; Eldridge Sequeira and Lou Lofland, halfbacks, and George Bardsley, fullback.

**WHITMAN**—On the superb passing of Gene LePage and the fine running of Earle Walker will depend much of the success of Whitman this Fall.

Coach J. B. Beidler expects to start a veteran eleven chosen from 17 lettermen.

His first string line measures up something like this: ends, Gary Fowler and Everett Back; tackles, Pete Mills and Ken Johnson; guards, Phil Tjelle and Dean Lodmell; center, Bob Walker.

In addition to LePage at quarter and Walker at halfback he has Hank Struck, a halfback, and Roger Strawick, full. LePage completed 46 of 81 tosses last year for 518 yards. Walker gained on an average of 87 yards a game carrying the ball.

**PACIFIC LUTHERAN** — Coach Marv Harshman fields a team that will be somewhat inexperienced in the line but strong in the backfield.

He is counting on 13 lettermen and three transfers as the backbone of a team that will depend on speed and deception.

Outstanding among the transfers is Don Gaarder, a 9.8 second sprinter, at right halfback. Galen Nussbaum, at left half, and Gary Sambilla, quarterback, are the other two. They will combine with Capt. Frank Lancaster, fullback, on the first team.

His starting line probably will consist of Jack Ellingson and Brian Price, ends; Bob McPherson and Phil Nordquist, tackles; Claire Egtvedt and Dick Notvedt, guards and Gary Gale, center.

**COLLEGE OF PUGET SOUND**—Coach John Heinrick is counting strongly on the ability of Loren

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#### EDITOR'S NOTE: CALIFORNIA U.

*At press time, sophomore Ronnie Knox suddenly quit California. Coach Waldorf probably will depend on Sam Williams, first string quarterback until injured early in the 1953 season. Williams will probably understudy Larson but when the chips are down, Paul will likely be shifted to left half to use both of them in the same backfield.*

**GEORGE SACKMAN**, star Whittier tailback is shown slipping through the hands of two Occidental College tacklers for 8 yards.



**ART TAKIDO**, 170-pound halfback, is one of key vets on Coach LaBrucherie's best squad since coming to Caltech.



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Irwin, sophomore halfback, to give College of Puget Sound more offensive punch.

The team's prospects are on a par with the 1953 eleven with a veteran line returning. The starting forwards probably will be Capt. Warren Logan and Jack Daily, ends; Dick Graham and Dick Hansen, tackles; Wally Thompson and Jerry Murdock, guards, and Erling Buholm, center.

With Irwin in the backfield will be Joe Stortini, quarterback; Dale Meshke, right half, and Dick Dodds, full.

### CALIFORNIA COLLEGE AA

**CALIFORNIA POLY**—Undefeated and untied last year, Coach Roy Hughes' Mustangs are outstanding favorites to win the California A. A. championship again.

This team, which scored 365 points in 1953 and allowed only 65, has weight, speed and experience. The Mustangs lost three men who were drafted by the pros, but hardly will miss them with 20 lettermen returning.

The prospective first team backfield is composed of Bob Neal, senior quarterback; a couple of speedy halfbacks in Perry Jeter and Thad Mussin and Millard Hampton, 210-pound fullback who runs the hundred under 10 seconds.

Only one lineman weighs under 200 pounds. Bud Chadwick and Al Moriarity, ends; Dick Mathias and Bob Rehder, tackles; Vic Buccola and Joe Bosnich, guards, and Bob Heaston, centre, present a rugged array for any opponent.

**SAN DIEGO STATE**—Coach Bill Schutte's San Diego State team will have a terrific running attack paced by Norman Nygaard, fullback, and Marshall Malcolm, halfback, but it lost a star passer in Paul Held at quarterback.

The Aztecs probably are not good enough to cope with California Poly but are rated second in the association.

In addition to Hygaard and Malcolm, the starting backfield includes Verne Dodds at quarter and Don Bonatus, halfback. The line is heavy enough but lacks experience in spots.

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Coach Schutte probably will start Monte Fritz and Jack Jantz, ends; Alfred Walker and Bob Newton, tackles; Mike Brown and Harry Higgins, guards and Gene Mumy, center.

**FRESNO STATE**—If Coach Clark Van Galder's reserves develop fast enough the Fresno State Bulldogs might give California Poly and San Diego State a stiff tussle.

The first team should be stronger than last year. The line is comparatively light but has good speed. The Bulldog attack is built around Winston Beasley, a 175-pound fullback.

Lee Storlee, a junior college transfer at quarter and Hal Abbate and Duke Snider, halfbacks, will work with Beasley on the first eleven.

Fred Houston and Rod Gallo-way, ends; Jim Greenamayer and Lyman Ehrlick, tackles; Dominick Bianco and Willard Whitaker, guards and Bill Papendorf, center, compose the starting line.

All are veterans except Ehrlick, a junior college transfer and Greenamayer, a sophomore.

**SANTA BARBARA**—Coach Stan Williamson lost a host of veterans and must depend a great deal on sophomores and junior college transfers but he believes the Gauchos will be stronger than last year.

The veteran backfield is composed of Bob Garretson, fullback; Garry Morris and Clyde Matthias, halfbacks; and Sal Padilla, quarterback.

Gates Foss and Lee Powers are probable starting ends. Norm Stelle and Jerry Montgomery, at tackles, are the only 200-pounders on the squad. Bob Ashbrook and Marv Ashby, the standout in the line, compose the guards. The center will be Dudley Carlson.

**LOS ANGELES STATE**—Coach Leonard (Bud) Adams will switch his attack to the Split-T this Fall, building it around Bob Settle, a sharp passing quarterback.

Settle will be supported by Walt Ambord and Marv Dubin, halfbacks, and Tom Vessella, a fine runner, at full.



Except for the tackles, the line is light. Coach Adams' starting ends are Merrill Ruge and John Mudnich; his tackles are Bill Reeske and Jerry Kurilich; the guards, Gerry Finnerman and Dave Brougham and the center, Tom Bushey.

**POMONA-CLAREMONT** — This team, which was awarded the Southern California Conference title last Fall, has ten of its top 13 veterans back.

Coach Earl Merritt has a well balanced backfield composed of Ced Scott, fine passer and punter at quarter; Ralph Pursche and Bill Schmidt, two excellent runners, at the halfback posts and John Whit-ham, 195-pound fullback.

The veteran line is comparatively light. Bill Schultz and Ken Irvin are the ends; Bruce Prestwich and Ken Wedel, tackles; Al Dias and Bill Wittman, guards, and Milt Schroth, center. Although neither weighs more than 180 pounds, Prestwich and Schroth are outstanding.

**WHITTIER**—Although two of its 1953 backfield stars are gone, Whittier returns to football this Fall with a veteran team that will be especially strong in the line.

Coach George Allen's top back will be George Sackman, probably the best triple threat man in the Southern California conference. He will be supported by Norm Haack, quarter; Carl Palmer, right halfback, and Keith Gaynes, who will attempt to fill the shoes of graduating Bob Dunham at full.

The first string line is composed of Jack Fox and Mahlon Conly, ends; Cliff Neilson and Wayne Harris, tackles; Bob Blechen and Marv Hoover, guards, and Bill Greene, center. All were on the squad last Fall.

**OCCIDENTAL**—Coach Roy Dennis expects a strong group from last year's freshman squad will bolster the 1954 prospects of Occidental college.

The Tigers sport a veteran backfield composed of three seniors and a junior but the starting line will include at least two sophomores.

Vince McCullough at quarter; Mike Bell at left half; Jack Cham-

berlain, right halfback, and Don Lyon, fullback, were the mainstays of the Oxy backfield last Fall, and all have returned.

The two sophomore linemen are Jim Mora, end, and Jack Mathews, tackle. The other end and tackle are Everett Trader and Forest Ward. Don Headlund and Lyell Evans, a pair of seniors, get the call at guards and a third senior, Bob Packer at center, gives Coach Dennis a strong, experienced line inside the tackles.

**REDLANDS**—With 17 lettermen returning, Coach James E. Verdick's Bulldogs could give the favored in the Southern California conference a tough race, especially if Jack Price returns from the Army. Price was a star quarterback for Ft. Ord in 1953.

If Price does not return Redlands still will be in fair shape because Clayton Miller, who completed 11 touchdown passes last Fall, is back. With him in the backfield will be two seniors, Bruce Lamb and Marion Sanchez, halfbacks, and a sophomore fresh from Army service in Korea, Howard Newmann, at full.

Starting linemen will be Bunny Gillett and Keith Hilliard, ends. Willy Barthels and John Gruendyke, tackles; Dick Reidman and Dick McMinn, guards, and Bob Orpinela, center. All but McMinn are experienced.

**CALTECH**—Coach Bert LaBrucherie may have the best squad since he came to Caltech, with 15 veterans on hand, but, as usual, the Engineers probably will be short on reserves.

This is especially true on the line where two good guards and a pair of fine tackles were lost.

His quarterback is Phil Conley, a fine passer who also was a star on the basketball and track teams. With him on the first squad will be George McDonald, fullback, and Art Takido and Bob Christian, halfbacks. All are veterans.

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When game is not played on column side, correct date appears in box. Scores in box are for 1953 if teams played. First number is score of team on whose schedule appears, second number is score of team listed in box.

All symbols refer to team on whose schedule they appear. Thus: \*F appearing beside a team on Alabama's schedule means Alabama is at home and is favored to win.

City in parentheses on schedule, is where game will be played.

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AKRON Ohio		Wittenberg 39-12 *+●U	Ohio Wes'n 14-28 +U	Otterbein *+●F	Mount Union 16-15 +U	Denison +U	Wooster 20-18 *+F	Kent State 19-54 *●U	Heidelberg 0-26 *+●U	
ALABAMA Tuscaloosa	Mississippi Southern Sept. 17 (Montgomery) 19-25 ●F	L. S. U. 7-7 +●F	Vanderbilt (Mobile) 21-12+●F	Tulsa 41-13 *F	Tennessee 0-0 +F	Mississippi State 7-7 *+F	Georgia (Birmingham) 33-12 +F	Tulane +F	Georgia Tech 43-6 +U	Miami Nov. 19 ●F Auburn Nov. 7 10-7 +F
ALBRIGHT Reading, Pa.		Lafayette 7-28 U	Muhlenberg 6-0 *●U	Gettysburg 0-27 U	Alfred ●F	Franklin & Marshall 0-6 F	Moravian 21-13 *●F	Lebanon Valley 0-13 *●F	Bucknell U	Penn Milit'y 0-7 *T
ARIZONA Tucson	New Mexico A & M 46-7 +●F	Utah 7-28 ●U		Colorado 14-20 *●U	Idaho *●F	New Mexico 20-0 ●F	West Texas State 39-6 *+F	Texas Tech 27-52 *+●U	Texas Western 20-28+●F	Tempe State 35-0 *+●F Wyoming Nov. 27 *●U
ARIZONA STATE at Tempe	Hawaii *●F	Brig.-Young 26-18 ●F	Texas West'n 27-28 *+●U	San Jose St. 35-20 *●U	Midwestern 12-12 ●F	W. Texas St. 39-20 *+●F	Hardin- Simmons 20-27+●F	Cincinnati *●U	N. Texas St. 14-0 *●U	Arizona U 0-35 +●U
ARKANSAS Fayetteville		Tulsa 27-7 *F	T. C. U. 13-6 ●+U	Baylor 7-14 *+U	Texas 7-16 +U	Mississippi (Little Rock) 0-28 U	Texas A & M 41-14+●F	Rice (Little Rock) 0-47 +U	S. M. U. 7-13 *+U	L. S. U. 8-9 Houston Nov. 27 U
ARMY West Point, N. Y.		South Carolina *F	Michigan U	Dartmouth 27-0 *F	Duke 14-13 U	Columbia 40-7 F	Virginia *F	Yale U	Pennsylvania 21-14 F	Navy Nov. 27 (Phila.) 20-7 F
AUBURN Alabama		Chattanooga *F	Florida 16-7 +F	Kentucky +●F	Georgia Tech 6-36 +U	Florida State *F	Tulane (Mobile) 34-7 +F	Miami (Fla.) (Birmingham) 29-20 F	Georgia (Columbus) 39-18 +F	Clemson 45-19 *F Alabama Nov. 27 7-10 U
BALDWIN- WALLACE Berea, Ohio		John Carroll 0-26 *●U	Morris Harvey 38-14 ●F	Kent State Oct. 8 13-14 *●U	Bowling Green 35-27 U	Heidelberg *U		Toledo ●F	Youngstown Nov. 11 0-7 ●F	
BATES Lewiston, Me.		Norwich *F	Northeastern 0-19 U	Brandeis F	Middlebury 13-0 *F	Maine 7-37 +U	Bowdoin 13-38 *+F	Colby 12-13 *+F		
BAYLOR Waco, Texas	Houston 7-37 *F	Vanderbilt 47-6 F	Miami (Fla.) Oct. 1 21-13 ●F	Arkansas 14-7 +F	Washington *F	Texas A & M 14-13 *+F	T. C. U. 25-7 +F	Texas 20-21 *+U		S. M. U. 27-21 +F Rice Nov. 27 19-41 *+F
BOSTON COLL. Chestnut Hill, Mass.		Detroit 33-20 ●F	Temple F	Virginia Military *F	Fordham Oct. 15 20-13 ●F	Springfield *F	Xavier (O.) 31-14 *F	Marquette Nov. 5 ●U	Boston Univ. *F	Holy Cross Nov. 27 6-0 *F
BOSTON UNIV. Massachusetts		Brandeis 40-14 *●F	Connecticut F	Fordham Oct. 8 *●F	Syracuse 14-14 *F	Holy Cross 7-20 F	Bucknell *F	Villanova 31-19 *F	Boston Coll. *U	Temple 20-0 F
BOWDOIN Brunswick, Me.		Tufts 32-6 *F	Trinity (Conn.) U	Amherst 0-28 *U	Williams 14-20 *U	Colby 25-7 +F	Bates 38-13 +U	Maine 7-35 *+U		
BRADLEY Peoria, Ill.		Ill. Normal 13-0 F	West Illinois State *●F	Omaha U	Wabash *F	Drake 13-21 U	Wayne Univ. 0-32 *F		Valparaiso F	Washington (Mo.) *U
BRANDEIS		Boston Univ. 14-40 ●U	Springfield 26-19 *U	Bates *U		N. Hampshire *U	Bridgeport 25-0 *F	Temple U	Buffalo U	N. Haven St. 6-7 U
BRIGHAM- YOUNG Provo, Utah	New Mexico 12-12 *+●U	Arizona St. Tempe 18-26 *●U	Colorado A & M 12-34+●U	Utah 32-33 *+●U		Montana 27-13 +U	Utah State 7-14 +U	Denver 19-27 +U	Wyoming 0-27 *+U	Idaho (Boise) 20-14 F



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BROOKLYN COLLEGE New York City			Worcester Tech * U	National Aggies 14-27 U	Norwich * U		Kings Point 0-40 U		Ursinus * U	Wagner 0-38 U
BROWN Providence, R. I.		Columbia *+ F	Yale 0-13 + U	Rhode Island 13-19 * F	Princeton 13-27 *+ U	Temple * F	Lehigh F	Springfield * F	Harvard 20-27 + F	Colgate Nov. 25 7-7 * U
BUCKNELL Lewisburg, Pa.		Muhlenberg 13-18 ● F	Gettysburg 13-26 * F	Lehigh 6-20 * F	Temple 21-27 F	Lafayette 6-7 * U	Boston Univ. U	Colgate 12-19 U	Albright * F	Delaware 13-34 U
BUFFALO New York		Cortland St. 12-12 F	Brockport St. * ● F	Hobart F	Lafayette * U	West'n Res. 6-26 U	Alfred 0-47 * ● U	St. Lawrence * ● U	Brandels * F	Rensselaer Tech * U
BUTLER Indianapolis, Ind.		Evansville 27-0 + ● F	Wabash 24-20 * F	Ball State 25-7 + F	St. Joseph's 47-13 *+ F	Indiana St. 47-12 *+ F	Valparaiso 32-20 + F	Washington (Mo.) 14-27 * U	Indiana Central * F	West'n Res. 20-21 U
CALIFORNIA Berkeley	Oklahoma * U	San Jose St. 34-14 * F	Ohio State 19-35 F	Oregon 0-0 *+ F	Washington State *+ F	So. California 20-32 + F	U. C. L. A. 7-20 *+ F	Washington 53-25 + F	Oregon State 26-0 *+ F	Stanford 21-21 *+ F
CHATTANOOGA Tennessee	Jacksonville State (Ala.) Sept. 17 39-0 * ● F	Auburn U	Tampa Oct. 1 * ● F	Tennessee 7-40 U	N. Texas St. Oct. 15 * ● F	E. Texas St. Oct. 22 7-19 * ● F	Mississippi Southern 19-33 ● U	L. S. U. ● U	Xavier (O.) 16-6 U	Dayton Nov. 25 6-19 * U
CINCINNATI Ohio	Detroit ● F	Dayton 27-0 * ● F	Tulsa 14-7 * ● F	Marquette 7-31 ● U	Hardin-Simmons * F	Xavier (O.) 20-6 * F	College of Pacific * F	Arizona St. Tempe ● F	Wichita * F	Miami (O.) Nov. 25 14-0 * F
CITADEL Charleston, S. C.		Elon * F	Davidson 38-14 *+ U	Richmond *+ U	Furman 0-27 + U	Presbyterian 20-14 * F	Wofford (Orangeburg) F	Newberry College * F	Virginia Military 0-14 + U	Clemson Nov. 27 13-34 U So. Carolina Dec. 4 0-25 * U
CLEMSON South Carolina	Presbyterian 33-7 * ● F	Georgia F	Virginia Tech * F	Florida (Jacksonville) ● U		So. Carolina Oct. 21 7-14 + U	Wake Forest (Charlotte) 18-0 + F	Furman * F	Maryland 0-20 + U	Auburn 19-45 U Citadel Nov. 27 34-13 * F
COLBY Waterville, Me.		Amherst * U	Middlebury U	Springfield F	Tufts * F	Bowdoin 7-25 *+ U	Maine 13-45 + U	Bates 13-12 + U		
COLGATE Hamilton, N. Y.	Cornell 7-27 U		Holy Cross 6-19 F	Rutgers 33-13 * F	Dartmouth 24-14 F	Yale 7-7 U	Princeton F	Bucknell 19-12 * F	Syracuse 18-34 F	Brown Nov. 25 7-7 F
COLORADO A & M Fort Collins, Colo.	Kansas State 14-13 U	Colorado 7-13 U	Brig.-Young 34-12 *+ F	Wyoming 14-21 *+ U	College of Pacific * U	Utah State 13-14 + U	Montana 31-32 *+ F	Utah 14-35 *+ U	New Mexico 9-3 + U	Denver Nov. 25 21-6 + U
COLORADO MINES Golden, Colo.	Washburn 0-13 * ● F	Montana St. 7-25 + U	Colorado St. Oct. 1 26-20 + ● F	Colorado West'n 7-40 *+ U	Colorado Col. 26-26 *+ F		Colorado St. (2nd Game) *+ F	Idaho State 21-33 *+ U	Colo. West'n (2nd game) + U	Colorado Col. (2nd Game) + F
COLORADO UNIVERSITY Boulder, Colo.	Drake * F	Colorado A & M 13-7 * F	Kansas 21-27 + U	Arizona 20-14 ● F	Iowa State 41-35 + F	Nebraska 14-10 *+ F	Oklahoma 20-27 *+ U	Missouri 16-27 + U	Utah 21-0 F	Kansas St. 14-28 *+ F
COLUMBIA New York City		Brown + U	Princeton 19-20 *+ U	Yale 7-13 *+ U	Harvard 6-0 + F	Army 7-40 * U	Cornell 13-27 *+ U	Dartmouth 25-19 + U	Navy 6-14 U	Rutgers 27-13 * F
CONNECTICUT Storrs		Yale 0-32 U	Boston Univ. * U	Massachusetts 41-0 + F	Maine 18-18 *+ F	Delaware 7-30 U	N. Hampshire 6-0 + U	Northeastern * F	Rhode Island 13-19 + F	Holy Cross U
CORNELL Ithaca, N. Y.		Colgate 27-7 * F	Rice 7-28 ● F	Harvard *+ F	Yale 0-0 + F	Princeton 26-19 + F	Columbia 27-13 + F	Syracuse 0-26 * F	Dartmouth 28-26 *+ F	Pennsylvania Nov. 25 7-7 + F
DARTMOUTH Hanover, N. H.		Holy Cross 6-28 * U	Navy 7-55 * U	Army 0-27 U	Colgate 14-24 * U	Harvard 14-20 + F	Yale 32-0 + U	Columbia 19-25 *+ F	Cornell 26-28 + U	Princeton 34-12 + U
DAVIDSON North Carolina	Virginia Military + U	Stetson * F	Citadel 14-38 *+ F	Presbyterian Oct. 8 18-19 ● F		Furman 0-34 *+ U	Wash. & Lee 7-34 *+ U	Catawba * F	Wofford ● F	Elon * F
DAYTON Ohio	Bowling Green * F	Cincinnati 0-27 ● U	John Carroll 13-19 * U	Louisville 20-13 * U	Xavier (O.) Oct. 17 0-7 F	Tennessee U		Mississippi Southern * U	Miami (O.) 7-20 * U	Xavier (O.) 2nd Game 0-0 F Chattanooga Nov. 25 19-6 F
DELAWARE Newark		W. Chester St. 13-27 * F	Lehigh 26-13 F	Temple * F	N. Hampshire 48-0 F	Connecticut 30-7 * F	Muhlenberg 18-6 F	Gettysburg 19-7 F	Lafayette 13-7 * F	Bucknell 34-13 * F
DENVER Colorado	Colorado Col. Sept. 17 19-13 * ● F	Drake Sept. 24 33-14 ● F	Wyoming 13-13 + U	Montana Oct. 8 13-22 *+ F	Utah 6-40 + ● U	Wichita Oct. 22 12-12 * ● U	N. Mexico 18-20 *+ ● U	Brig.-Young 27-19 *+ F	Utah State 12-21 + U	Colorado A & M Nov. 25 6-21 *+ F
DETROIT Michigan	Cincinnati * ● U	Boston Coll. 20-33 * ● U	Quantico Marines * ● U		Villanova Oct. 15 27-0 * ● U	Tulsa Oct. 22 33-0 *+ ● F	Marquette Oct. 29 0-19 * ● U	Oklahoma A & M 18-14 + U		Wichita 26-6 + ● F Houston Dec. 4 19-25 + U
DUKE Durham, N. C.		Pennsylvania F	Tennessee 21-7 * F	Purdue 20-14 U	Army 13-14 * F	No. Carolina State 31-0 + ● F	Georgia Tech 10-13 * U	Navy (Norfolk) 0-0 F	Wake Forest 19-0 + F	So. Carolina 20-7 *+ F No. Carolina Nov. 27 35-20 + F
FLORIDA Gainesville	Rice 16-20 ● U	Georgia Tech 0-0 + U	Auburn 7-16 *+ U	Clemson (Jacksonville) ● F	Kentucky 13-26 *+ F	L. S. U. 21-21 + ● U	Miss. State *+ U	Georgia (Jacksonville) 21-7 + F	Tennessee 7-9 + U	Miami (Fla.) Nov. 27 10-14 * U
FLORIDA STATE Tallahassee	Georgia * ● F	Abilene Christian 7-20 * ● F	Louisville 59-0 F	Villanova * ● F	No. Carolina State 23-13 ● F	Auburn U	Virginia Military (Lynchburg) 12-7 F		Furman 7-14 * F	Stetson 13-6 ● F Miss. South Nov. 27 0-21 * U Tampa Dec. 4 41-6 ● F
FORDHAM New York City			Rutgers 40-13 U	Boston Univ. Oct. 8 ● U	Boston Coll. Oct. 15 13-20 * ● U	Marquette U	Miami (Fla.) Oct. 29 20-0 ● U	West Virginia U	Holy Cross 7-20 * U	Syracuse 13-20 * U Villanova Nov. 27 13-20 * U
FRANKLIN & MARSHALL Lancaster, Pa.			Johns Hopkins 47-13 F	Dickenson 39-6 F	Drexel Tech 33-6 * F	Albright 6-0 * U	Western Maryland U	Scranton * U	Muhlenberg 19-7 U	Gettysburg 21-40 * U

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FRESNO STATE California			Los. Ang. St. 12-14 *+ F	Utah State 6-46 * U	Nevada 47-7 F	Santa Barbara 20-0 + F	San Diego St. 27-27 + F	Calif. Tech 6-27 *+ U	San Jose St. Nov. 19 21-27 * U	San Fran. St. Nov. 25 41-27 * F
FURMAN Greenville, S. C.	Newberry Sept. 17 33-0 * F	Miami (Fla.) Sept. 24 * U	Presbyterian Oct. 1 19-0 * F	South Carolina 13-27 * U	Citadel 27-0 *+ F	Davidson 34-0 + F	No. Carolina State * U	Clemson U	Florida State 14-7 U	Wofford 7-6 * F
GEORGE WASHINGTON Washington, D. C.		V. M. I. (Alexandria) 14-13 + F	Virginia 20-24 U	West Virginia 6-27 + U	Wake Forest Oct. 15 * F	Wm. & Mary Oct. 22 *+ F	Richmond Oct. 29 35-7 *+ F	Virginia Tech Nov. 5 *+ F	Wash. & Lee 27-7 + F	Maryland 6-27 U
GEORGIA Athens	Florida State * U	Clemson * U	Texas A & M 12-14 * F	No. Carolina 27-14 T	Vanderbilt *+ F	Tulane 16-14 + F	Alabama (Birmingham) 12-33 + U	Florida (Jacksonville) 7-21 + U	Auburn (Columbus) 18-39 + U	Georgia Tech Nov. 27 12-28 *+ U
GEORGIA TECH Atlanta	Tulane 27-13 *+ F	Florida 0-0 *+ F	S. M. U. 6-4 * F	L. S. U. *+ F	Auburn 36-6 *+ F	Kentucky *+ F	Duke 13-10 F	Tennessee *+ F	Alabama 6-13 *+ F	Georgia 28-12 *+ F
HARDIN- SIMMONS Ablene, Texas	Tulsa 13-14 * F	New Mexico A & M 39-0 + F	Trinity (Tex.) 21-27 * U	North Texas State 14-10 * U	Cincinnati U	Okl. A & M (Odessa) 0-20 * U	Arizona St. at Tempe 27-20 *+ F	Texas Western 14-13 *+ F	West Texas State 26-14 *+ F	Texas Tech Nov. 27 12-46 *+ U
HARVARD Cambridge, Mass.			Massachusetts * F	Cornell + U	Columbia 0-6 *+ U	Dartmouth 20-14 *+ U	Ohio Univ. 16-0 F	Princeton 0-6 + U	Brown 27-20 *+ U	Yale 13-0 *+ U
HOFSTRA Hempstead, L.I., N. Y.		Seranton 6-0 U	St. Lawrence 7-18 * U	Bridgeport Oct. 8 21-6 * F	Northeastern F	Rhode Island 27-12 F	Cortland Oct. 29 18-0 * F	Wilkes Nov. 5 39-20 * F	Upsala 13-15 * F	Kings Point 33-6 F
HOLY CROSS Worcester, Mass.		Dartmouth 28-6 F	Colgate 19-6 * U	Miami (Fla.) Oct. 8 * U	Marquette 7-13 * U	Boston Univ. 20-7 * U	Syracuse 0-21 F	Penn State U	Fordham 20-7 F	Connecticut * F Boston Coll. Nov. 27 0-6 U
HOUSTON Texas	Baylor 37-7 U			Texas A & M 14-14 * F	Oklahoma A & M 7-14 + F		Wichita + F	Tulsa 21-23 *+ F	Mississippi * U	Texas Tech 21-41 U Arkansas Nov. 27 * F Dett Dec. 3 25-19 *+ F
IDAHO Moscow	Oregon 6-25 *+ U	Oregon State 0-19 + U	San Jose St. 6-34 * U	Coll. of Pacific 0-33 * U	Arizona * U	Wash. State 13-30 + U	Utah 0-21 U		North Dakota * U	Brig.-Young (Boise) 14-20 U
ILLINOIS Champaign-Urbana		Penn State * F	Stanford 33-21 F	Ohio State 41-20 *+ F	Minnesota 27-7 + F	Syracuse 20-13 * F	Purdue 21-0 + F	Michigan 19-3 + F	Wisconsin 7-34 *+ F	Northwestern 39-14 *+ F
INDIANA Bloomington		Ohio State 12-36 + U	College of Pacific * F	Mich. State 18-47 *+ U	Missouri 7-14 U	Iowa 13-19 *+ U	Michigan + U	Miami (O.) * F	Northwestern 14-6 + F	Purdue 0-30 + F
IOWA Iowa City		Mich. State 7-21 *+ F	Montana * F	Michigan 13-14 + F	Ohio State + F	Indiana 19-13 + F	Wisconsin 6-10 *+ F	Purdue 26-0 *+ F	Minnesota 27-0 + F	Notre Dame 14-14 * U
IOWA STATE Ames	South Dakota State * F	Northwestern 0-35 U	Nebraska 19-27 + U	Kansas 0-23 *+ U	Colorado 34-41 *+ U	Missouri 13-6 + U	Drake 7-12 * F	Oklahoma 0-47 *+ U	Kansas State 12-20 + U	
IOWA STATE TEACHERS Cedar Falls	Central Mich. 20-34 F	No. Dak. St. 27-21 *+ F		Drake 20-27 * U	No. Dakota 34-6 + U	Augustana 39-13 + F	Morningside 34-20 + F	So. Dakota 34-27 *+ F	So. Dak. St. 19-52 *+ F	
JOHN CARROLL Cleveland, Ohio	East'n Ky. St. 19-21 * F	Baldwin-Wall. 26-0 * F	Dayton 19-13 F	Toledo 36-7 * F	Wayne Univ. * F		Youngstown 7-21 * F	Xavier (O.) 33-19 * F	Kent State * F	
JOHNS- HOPKINS Baltimore, Md.			Franklin & Marshall 13-47 * U	Carnegie Tech 0-27 U	Hamp.-Syd. 0-26 *+ U	Rand.-Macon 12-26 + U	Drex. Tech * U	Swarthmore 0-19 * U	Dickinson 13-12 * F	West. Md. 0-46 + U
KANSAS Lawrence	T. C. U. 0-13 * U	U. C. L. A. 7-19 * U	Colorado 27-21 *+ F	Iowa State 23-0 + F	Oklahoma 0-45 *+ U	S. M. U. 6-14 U	Kansas State 0-7 + U	Nebraska 0-9 *+ F	Okl. A & M 14-41 U	Missouri 6-10 + U
KANSAS STATE Manhattan	Colorado A & M 13-14 * F	Wyoming F	Missouri 6-16 *+ U	Nebraska 27-0 + F	Tulsa * F	Oklahoma 0-34 + U	Kansas 7-0 *+ F	Drake Nov. 5 50-0 * F	Iowa State 20-12 *+ F	Colorado 28-14 + U
KENTUCKY Lexington	Maryland * U	Mississippi (Memphis) 6-22 + U	L. S. U. 6-6 *+ U	Auburn *+ U	Florida 26-13 + U	Georgia Tech + U	Villanova 19-0 * F	Vanderbilt 40-14 *+ F	Memphis State 20-7 * F	Tennessee 27-21 *+ U
KENT STATE Ohio	Waynesburg 20-10 * F		West'n Res. Oct. 1 27-0 *+ F	Baldwin-Wall. Oct. 8 14-13 * F	Ohio Univ. 21-40 *+ U	Marshall 27-7 + F	Bowling Gr'n 41-7 *+ F	Akron 54-19 * F	John Carroll * U	West'n Mich. 40-0 *+ F
KINGS Wilkes-Barre, Pa.			Lincoln * F	Mansfield 16-13 F	Upsala 0-19 * F	Bloomsburg * F		St. Vincent 12-13 F	Kings Point 13-7 F	Seranton 14-14 * U
KING'S POINT Long Island, N. Y.			Army (B-Team) 6-12 * U	Rensselaer 24-6 T	Wagner 6-0 F	Rochester 24-10 * U	Brooklyn College 40-0 * F	Alfred * F	King's (Pa.) 7-13 * U	Hofstra 6-33 * U
LAFAYETTE Easton, Pa.		Albright 28-7 * F	Carnegie Tech * F	Muhlenberg 7-20 F	Buffalo F	Bucknell 7-6 F	Gettysburg * F	Rutgers 13-14 T	Delaware 7-13 U	Lehigh 33-13 * F
LEHIGH		Virginia U	Delaware 13-26 * U	Bucknell 20-6 U	Gettysburg 7-22 * U	Rutgers * U	Brown * U	Muhlenberg 13-0 * U	Carn'g Tech 26-13 U	Lafayette 13-33 U
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY Baton Rouge	Texas 20-7 U	Alabama 7-7 *+ U	Kentucky 6-6 + F	Georgia Tech + U	Texas Tech * F	Florida 21-21 *+ F	Mississippi 16-27 *+ F	Chattanooga * F	Mississippi State 13-26 *+ U	Arkansas (Shreveport) 9-8 F Tulane Nov. 27 32-13 + F
LOUISVILLE Kentucky	Murray State 19-14 * F	Wayne Univ. * F	Florida State 0-59 * U	Dayton 13-20 F	Evansville * F	Centre * F	West'n Ky. St. * F	Morehead St. * F	East'n Ky. St. 13-20 * F	
MAINE Orono		Rhode Island 6-13 *+ U	Vermont 13-0 + F	N. Hampshire 6-21 *+ U	Connecticut 18-18 + U	Bates 37-7 *+ F	Colby 45-13 *+ F	Bowdoin 35-7 + F		
MARQUETTE Milwaukee, Wis.		Wisconsin 11-13 U	Miami (O.) * F	Cincinnati 31-7 * F	Holy Cross 13-7 F	Fordham * F	Detroit Oct. 29 19-0 * F	Boston Coll. Nov. 5 * F	Col. of Pacific 20-20 * F	Mich. State 15-21 U
MARSHALL COLLEGE Huntington, W. Va.		Morehead St. 40-0 * F	West'n Mich. *+ F	Morris Harvey 14-14 * F	Miami (O.) 6-48 + U	Kent State 7-27 *+ U	Western Reserve + U	Bowling Green + F	Toledo *+ F	Ohio Univ. 9-6 + U
MARYLAND College Park	Kentucky F		U. C. L. A. Oct. 1 * U	Wake Forest (Wins.-Salem) + F	No. Carolina 26-0 *+ F	Miami (Fla.) Oct. 22 30-0 * F	So. Carolina 24-6 + F	No. Carolina State *+ F	Clemson 20-0 *+ F	Geo. Wash. 27-6 * F Missouri Nov. 25 20-6 * F



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MASSACHUSETTS Amherst		Amer. Int'l * F	Harvard U	Connecticut 0-41 *+ U	Rhode Island 14-41 *+ U	Northeastern 14-41 * U	Vermont + F	N. Hampshire 12-32 *+ U	Tufts 6-14 F	
MEMPHIS STATE Tennessee	Miss. State 6-34 U	Tulane U	Ablene Chr. * U	Murray State 20-0 * F	Tenn. Tech 14-7 * F	Middle Tenn. 20-26 * F	Arkansas St. 0-20 * F	Mississippi * U	Kentucky 7-20 U	Miss. Soth'n 27-13 * U
MIAMI Florida		Furman Sept. 24 * F	Baylor Oct. 1 13-21 * U	Holy Cross Oct. 8 * F	Miss. State Oct. 15 * F	Maryland Oct. 22 0-30 * U	Fordham Oct. 29 0-20 * F	Auburn (Birmingham) 20-29 U	Alabama Nov. 19 * U	Florida Nov. 27 14-10 F
MIAMI Ohio		Bowling Gr'n 47-0 F	Marquette U	Xavier (O.) 26-6 * F	Marshall 48-6 *+ F	Ohio Univ. 7-7 + F	West'n Mich. 52-6 *+ F	Indiana U	Dayton 20-7 * F	Cincinnati Nov. 25 0-41 U
MICHIGAN Ann Arbor		Washington 50-0 F	Army * F	Iowa 14-13 *+ U	Northwestern 20-12 + F	Minnesota 0-22 *+ F	Indiana *+ F	Illinois 3-19 *+ U	Mich. State 6-14 *+ U	Ohio State 20-0 *+ U
MICHIGAN STATE East Lansing		Iowa 21-7 + U	Wisconsin *+ F	Indiana 47-18 + F	Notre Dame U	Purdue 0-6 *+ F	Minnesota 21-0 + F	Wash. State * F	Michigan 14-6 + F	Marquette 21-15 * F
MINNESOTA Minneapolis		Nebraska * F	Pittsburgh 35-14 F	Northwestern 30-13 *+ F	Illinois 7-27 *+ U	Michigan 22-0 + U	Mich. State 0-21 *+ U	Oregon State * F	Iowa 0-27 *+ U	Wisconsin 21-21 + U
MISSISSIPPI Oxford	No. Texas St. Sept. 17 (Memphis) 40-7 * F	Kentucky (Memphis) 22-6 + * F	Villanova F	Vanderbilt 28-6 + F	Tulane 45-14 *+ F	Arkansas (Little Rock) 28-0 F	L. S. U. 27-16 *+ F	Memphis St. F	Houston F	Miss. State Nov. 27 7-7 *+ F
MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN Hattiesburg	Alabama Sept. 17 (Montgomery) 25-19 * U	Louisiana Tech 30-0 * F	No. Texas St. F	Ablene Christian * F	Southeast Louisiana 7-0 * F		Chattanooga 33-19 * F	Dayton F	Villanova (Mobile) F	Memphis St. 13-27 * F Florida St. Nov. 27 21-0 F
MISSISSIPPI STATE State College	Memphis St. 34-6 * F	Tennessee 26-0 + F	Arkansas St. * F	Tulane 21-0 + F	Miami (Fla.) Oct. 15 U	Alabama 7-7 + U	Florida + F	No. Tex. St. 21-6 * F	L. S. U. 26-13 *+ F	Mississippi Nov. 27 7-7 + U
MISSOURI Columbia		Purdue 14-7 U	Kansas State 16-6 + F	S. M. U. 7-20 * F	Indiana 14-7 * F	Iowa State 6-13 *+ F	Nebraska 23-7 + F	Colorado 27-16 *+ F	Oklahoma 7-14 + U	Kansas 10-6 *+ F Maryland Nov. 25 6-20 U
MONTANA STATE Bozeman	Lewis & Clark F	Colo. Mines 25-7 *+ F	Idaho State 0-13 + U	Colorado Col. 20-0 *+ F	Colorado St. 26-0 + F	Colo. W'st. St. 14-13 *+ U	Idaho State (2nd Game) *+ U	No. Dakota 7-14 * F	Montana 13-32 U	
MONTANA UNIVERSITY Missoula			Iowa U	Denver Oct. 8 22-13 *+ U	Utah State 14-33 *+ U	Brigham- Young 13-27 *+ F	Colorado A & M 32-31 + F	New Mexico 13-41 + U	Montana State 32-13 * F	Utah *+ U
MUHLENBERG Allentown, Pa.		Bucknell 18-13 * U	Albright 0-6 F	Lafayette 20-7 * U	Lebanon Valley 39-14 F	Gettysburg 19-20 F	Delaware 6-18 * U	Lehigh 0-13 F	Franklin & Marshall 7-19 * F	
NAVY Annapolis, Md.		Wm. & Mary 6-6 * F	Dartmouth 55-7 F	Stanford F	Pittsburgh U	Pennsylvania 6-9 F	Notre Dame (Baltimore) 7-38 U	Duke (Norfolk) 0-0 U	Columbia 14-6 * F	Army Nov. 27 (Phila.) 7-20 U
NEBRASKA Lincoln		Minnesota U	Iowa State 27-19 *+ F	Kansas State 0-27 *+ U	Oregon St. * U	Colorado 10-14 + U	Missouri 7-23 *+ U	Kansas 9-0 + U	Pittsburgh 6-14 * U	Oklahoma 7-30 *+ U Hawaii Nov. 26 * F
NEW HAMPSHIRE Durham		Bridgeport F	Rhode Island 14-13 *+ F	Maine 21-6 + F	Delaware 0-48 * U	Brandeis F	Connecticut 0-6 *+ F	Massachusetts 32-12 + F	Springfield 7-6 *+ F	
NEW MEXICO Albuquerque	Brigham- Young 12-12 *+ F	San Diego St. 41-12 * F	Utah State 0-6 *+ F		Wyoming 9-7 + U	Arizona 0-20 * U	Denver Oct. 29 20-18 *+ F	Montana 41-13 *+ F	Colorado A & M 3-9 *+ F	N. Mexico A & M 28-6 * F San Jose St. Nov. 27 F
NORTH CAROLINA STATE Raleigh	Virginia Tech U	No. Carolina 7-29 + U	Wake Forest 7-20 + U	Wm. & Mary 6-7 U	Florida State 13-23 * U	Duke *+ U	Furman * F	Maryland + U	Richmond * U	West Virginia 0-61 U
NORTH CAROLINA Chapel Hill		No. Carolina State 29-7 *+ F	Tulane F	Georgia 14-27 * T	Maryland 0-26 + U	Wake Forest 18-13 *+ F	Tennessee 6-20 U	So. Carolina 0-18 *+ U	Notre Dame 14-34 U	Virginia 33-7 *+ F Duke Nov. 27 20-35 *+ U
NORTH DAKOTA STATE Fargo	Concordia Sept. 11 7-6 * F Augustana Sept. 17 34-18 *+ F	Iowa Teachers 21-27 *+ U		Morningside Oct. 8 14-20 *+ F	South Dakota State 14-32 *+ U	Wayne Univ. U	North Dakota 6-26 + U	Wichita U	South Dakota 12-6 + F	
NORTH DAKOTA UNIVERSITY Grand Forks	Bemidji St. 21-13 * F	Augustana 35-0 + F	Morningside 21-20 *+ F	South Dakota 18-14 *+ F	Iowa Teach. 6-34 *+ F	South Dakota State 13-13 + U	North Dakota State 26-6 *+ F	Montana State 14-7 U	Idaho F	
NORTHEASTERN Boston, Mass.	Rhode Island 7-13 U	Springfield F	Bates 19-0 * F	Amer. Int'l 24-0 * F	Hofstra * U	Massachusetts 41-14 F		Connecticut U		
NORTH TEXAS STATE Denton	Mississippi Sept. 17 (Memphis) 7-40 * U		Mississippi Southern * U	Hardin- Simmons 10-14 * F	Chattanooga Oct. 15 U	Texas Western 21-26 * F	San Jose St. 13-13 * U	Mississippi State 6-21 U	Arizona St. at Tempe 0-14 * F	Trinity (Tex.) 6-14 *+ U Midwestern Nov. 24 39-7 + F
NORTHWESTERN Evanston, Ill.		Iowa State 35-0 * F	So. California * U	Minnesota 13-30 + U	Michigan 12-20 *+ U	Pittsburgh 27-21 F	Ohio State 13-27 *+ U	Wisconsin 13-34 + U	Indiana 6-14 *+ U	Illinois 14-39 + U
NOTRE DAME Indiana		Texas * F	Purdue 37-7 * F	Pittsburgh 23-14 F	Michigan State * F		Navy (Baltimore) 38-7 F	Pennsylvania 28-20 F	North Carolina 34-14 * F	Iowa 14-14 F So. California Nov. 27 48-14 * F S. M. U. Dec. 4 40-14 F
OBERLIN Ohio			Otterbein 6-12 + F	De Pauw 7-7 * F	Allegheny 31-13 F	Ohio Wesl'n 13-27 + U	Rochester 12-25 * U	Wittenberg 26-39 *+ U	Denison 20-27 + U	Wooster 3-34 *+ U
OCCIDENTAL Los Angeles, Calif.		Los Ang. St. Sept. 24 14-6 * U	Santa Barbara Oct. 1 * U	Whittier 7-6 + U	Pepperdine 20-12 * F	Pomona- Claremont 14-30 + U	Redlands 37-7 + F	California Aggies * U	Calif. Tech Nov. 12 18-12 *+ U	Pomona-Cl. (2nd Game) *+ U
OHIO STATE Columbus		Indiana 36-12 *+ F	California 33-19 * U	Illinois 20-41 + U	Iowa *+ U	Wisconsin 20-19 *+ U	Northwestern 27-13 + F	Pittsburgh * F	Purdue 21-6 + F	Michigan 0-20 *+ F

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OHIO UNIV. Athens		Xavier (O.) * F	Toledo 26-0 *+ F	West'n Res. 39-0 + F	Kent State 40-21 + F	Miami (O.) 7-7 *+ U	Harvard 0-16 U	West'n Mich. 67-12 + F	Bowling Gr'n 22-14 + F	Marshall 6-9 *+ F
OHIO WESLEYAN Delaware, Ohio		Rochester F	Akron 28-14 *+ F	Wabash 20-20 * F	Denslon 21-20 + U	Oberlin 27-13 *+ F	Mt. Union 17-6 + F	Heidelberg 21-20 + F	Wittenberg 34-7 + F	Sewanee F
OKLAHOMA A & M Stillwater	Wyoming 20-14 F	Texas A & M (Dallas) * F	Texas Tech 13-27 * U	Wichita 14-7 + F	Houston 14-7 *+ U	Hardin-Simm. (Odessa) 20-0 * F	Tulsa 28-14 + F	Detroit 14-18 *+ F	Kansas 41-14 * F	Oklahoma Nov. 27 7-42 * U
OKLAHOMA Norman	California F	Texas Chris- tian Univ. * F		Texas (Dallas) 19-14 F	Kansas 45-0 + F	Kansas State 34-0 *+ F	Colorado 27-20 + F	Iowa State 47-0 + F	Missouri 14-7 *+ F	Nebraska 30-7 *+ F Okla. A&M Nov. 27 42-7 F
OREGON STATE Corvallis		Idaho 19-0 *+ F	Washington (Portland) 0-28 + U	Washington State 7-0 + U	Nebraska F	U. C. L. A. 0-41 *+ U	Southern California 0-37 + U	Minnesota U	California U	Oregon 7-0 *+ U
OREGON Eugene	Idaho 25-6 + F	Stanford (Portland) 0-7 + F	Utah * F	California 0-0 + U	So. California (Portland) 13-7 + F	San Jose St. 26-13 * F	Washington 6-14 + F	U. C. L. A. 0-12 + U	Washington State 0-7 *+ F	Oregon State 0-7 + F
PACIFIC COLLEGE OF Stockton, Calif.	Stanford Sept. 17 25-20 * U	Wash. State (Spokane) 20-26 * U	Indiana U	Idaho 33-0 * U	Colorado A & M F	Texas Tech 7-34 * U	Cincinnati U	San Jose St. 6-7 * U	Marquette 20-20 * U	
PENN STATE State College, Pa.		Illinois U	Syracuse 20-14 F	Virginia * F	W. Virginia 19-20 * F	T. C. U. 27-21 F	Pennsylvania 7-13 F	Holy Cross * F	Rutgers 54-26 * F	Pittsburgh 17-0 U
PENNSYLVANIA Philadelphia		Duke * U		Princeton + F	Wash. & Lee * F	Navy 9-6 * U	Penn State 13-7 * U	Notre Dame 20-28 * U	Army 14-21 * U	Cornell Nov. 25 7-7 *+ U
PITTSBURGH Pennsylvania		So. California Sept. 24 * U	Minnesota 14-35 * U	Notre Dame 14-23 * U	Navy * F	Northwestern 21-27 * U	W. Virginia 7-17 F	Ohio State U	Nebraska 14-6 F	Penn State 0-17 * F
PRINCETON New Jersey		Rutgers 9-7 * F	Columbia 20-19 + F	Pennsylvania *+ U	Brown 27-13 + F	Cornell 19-26 *+ U	Colgate * U	Harvard 6-0 *+ F	Yale 24-26 + U	Dartmouth 12-34 *+ F
PURDUE Lafayette, Ind.		Missouri 7-14 * F	Notre Dame 7-37 U	Duke 14-20 * F	Wisconsin 19-28 + U	Mich. State 6-0 + U	Illinois 0-21 *+ U	Iowa 0-26 + U	Ohio State 6-21 *+ U	Indiana 30-0 *+ U
QUANTICO MARINES Virginia	Xavier (O.) Sept. 19 13-6 * U	Bolling AFB F	Detroit * F	Ft. Belvoir *	Cherry Point *	Fort Eustis *	Lejeune *	Parris Island *	Gt. Lakes *	Monmouth Nov. 25 * Fort Jackson Dec. 5
RENNSELAER Troy, N.Y.			Hamilton F	Kings Point 6-24 * T	Union 6-32 F	Middlebury F	Worc. Tech 12-12 * F	Coast Guard 6-12 F	Rochester 32-31 * F	Buffalo * F
RHODE ISLAND Kingston	Northeastern 13-7 * F	Maine 13-6 + F	N. Hampshire 13-14 + U	Brown 19-13 U	Massachusetts 41-14 *+ F	Hofstra 12-27 * U	Springfield 18-6 F	Connecticut 19-13 *+ U		
RICE Houston, Texas	Florida 20-16 * F		Cornell 28-7 * U	Wisconsin U	S. M. U. 7-12 *+ F	Texas 18-13 *+ U	Vanderbilt * F	Arkansas (Little Rock) 47-0 + F	Texas A & M 34-7 + F	T. C. U. 19-6 *+ F Baylor Nov. 27 41-19 + U
RICHMOND Virginia	Rand.-Macon 28-0 * F	Hampden- Sydney * F	V. M. I. 13-7 *+ F	Citadel + F	Virginia Tech 7-21 *+ F	Wash. & Lee 27-19 *+ F	Geo. Wash. Oct. 29 7-35 + U	Wake Forest 13-13 * U	No. Carolina State F	Wm. & Mary Nov. 25 0-21 *+ U
ROCHESTER New York		Ohio West'n * U	Williams 6-14 F	Union 21-7 * F	Vermont 7-28 * U	Kings Point 25-10 F	Oberlin 25-12 F	Tufts * F	Rensselaer 31-32 U	
RUTGERS New Brunswick, N. J.		Princeton 7-9 U	Fordham 13-40 * F	Colgate 13-33 U	Wm. & Mary * U	Lehigh F	Temple * F	Lafayette 14-13 * T	Penn State 26-54 U	Columbia 13-27 U
ST. VINCENT Latrobe, Pa.	W. Liberty St. (Moundville, W. Va.) 25-14 * F	Thiel Sept. 24 * F	Clarion St. Sept. 30 7-20 * U	Seranton Oct. 10 7-32 U		Waynesburg 0-12 U	Carnegie Tech 7-13 * U	King's (Pa.) Nov. 7 13-12 * U		
SAN FRANCISCO STATE California		Nevada Univ. 28-27 *+ F	Calif. Aggies Oct. 1 + F	San Diego St. Oct. 8 * U	Calif. Poly 14-47 * U		Nevada Univ. (2nd Game) Oct. 29 * F	Humboldt State + F	Sacramento Nov. 12 *+ F	Chico State Nov. 19 0-13 *+ F Fresno St. Nov. 25 27-41 U
SAN JOSE STATE California	Utah State * F	California 14-34 U	Idaho 34-6 F	Arizona St. at Tempe 20-35 * F		Oregon 13-26 U	No. Texas St. 13-13 * F	College of Pacific 7-6 * T	Stanford 0-54 U	Fresno State 27-21 * F New Mexico Nov. 27 *+ F
SANTA BARBARA California		Whittier Sept. 24 7-7 * F	Occidental Oct. 1 0-6 * F	Calif. Poly Oct. 8 6-59 *+ U	L. Angeles St. Oct. 15 21-12 *+ F	Fresno State 0-20 *+ U	Calif. Aggies (Los Angeles) 20-6 F	Pepperdine 12-13 * F	Redlands Nov. 12 * F	San Diego St Nov. 19 0-72 *+ U
SCRANTON Pennsylvania		Hofstra 20-6 * F		St. Vincent Oct. 10 32-7 * F		Upsala 20-19 * F	Lebanon Valley F	Franklin & Marshall F	Temple 7-33 * U	King's (Pa.) 14-14 F
SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia		Army U	West Virginia 20-14 * F		Furman 27-13 F	Clemson Oct. 21 14-7 *+ F	Maryland 6-24 *+ U	North Carolina 18-0 + F	Virginia 19-0 *+ F	Duke 7-20 + U Wake Forest Nov. 27 13-19 *+ F Citadel Dec. 4 25-0 F
SOUTH DAKOTA Vermillion		South Dakota Mines * F	Augustana 33-0 *+ F	North Dakota 14-18 + U	Drake 0-18 * U	Morningside 35-7 *+ F	So. Dak. St. 0-25 *+ U	Iowa Techs. 27-34 + U	No. Dak. St. 6-12 *+ F	Austin * F
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE Brookings	Iowa State U	St. Thomas * F	Mankato State Oct. 1 * F	Augustana 55-0 *+ F	No. Dak. St. 32-14 + F	North Dakota 13-13 *+ F	South Dakota 25-0 + F	Morningside Nov. 5 31-29 *+ F	Iowa Techs. 52-19 *+ U	
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Los Angeles	Washington State Sept. 17 29-13 *+ F	Pittsburgh Sept. 24 * F	Northwestern F	T. C. U. Oct. 8 * F	Oregon (Portland) 7-13 + U	California 32-20 *+ U	Oregon State 37-0 *+ F	Stanford 23-20 + F	Washington 13-13 *+ F	U. C. L. A. 0-13 + U Notre Dame Nov. 27 14-48 U
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY Dallas, Texas			Georgia Tech 4-6 * U	Missouri 20-7 U	Rice 12-7 + U	Kansas 14-6 * F	Texas 7-16 + U	Texas A & M 23-0 *+ F	Arkansas 13-7 + F	Baylor 21-27 *+ U T. C. U. Nov. 27 0-13 *+ F Notre Dame Dec. 4 14-40 * U
SPRINGFIELD Massachusetts		Northeastern * U	Brandeis 19-26 F	Colby * U	Amer. Int'l 0-0 F	Boston Coll. U	Rhode Island 6-18 * U	Brown U	N. Hampshire 6-7 U	
STANFORD California	Coll. of Pacific Sept. 17 20-25 * F	Oregon (Portland) 7-0 + U	Illinois 21-33 * U	Navy * U	U. C. L. A. 21-20 + U	Washington 13-7 *+ F	Washington State 49-19 *+ F	So. California 20-23 *+ U	San Jose St. 54-0 * F	California 21-21 + U
SYRACUSE New York		Villanova 13-14 * F	Penn State 14-20 * U		Boston Univ. 14-14 U	Illinois 13-20 U	Holy Cross 21-0 * U	Cornell 26-0 U	Colgate 34-18 * U	Fordham 20-13 F
TEMPLE Philadelphia, Pa.			Boston Coll. * U	Delaware U	Bucknell 27-21 * U	Brown U	Rutgers U	Brandeis * F	Scranton 33-7 F	Boston Univ. 0-20 * U



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TENNESSEE Knoxville		Mississippi St. (Memphis) 0-26 * U	Duke 7-21 U	Chattanooga 40-7 * F	Alabama 0-0 * + U	Dayton * U	No. Carolina 20-6 * F	Georgia Tech + U	Florida 9-7 * + F	Kentucky 21-27 * + F Vanderbilt Nov. 27 33-6 + F
TEXAS Austin	L. S. U. 7-20 * F	Notre Dame U	Washington State * F	Oklahoma (Dallas) 14-19 U	Arkansas 16-7 * + F	Rice 13-18 + F	S. M. U. 16-7 * + F	Baylor 21-20 + F	T. C. U. 13-3 + F	Texas A & M Nov. 25 21-12 * + F
TEXAS A & M College Station	Texas Tech 27-14 * U	Okl. A & M (Dallas) U	Georgia 14-12 U	Houston 14-14 U	T. C. U. 20-7 * + U	Baylor 13-14 + U	Arkansas 14-41 * + U	S. M. U. 0-23 + U	Rice 7-34 * + U	Texas Nov. 25 12-21 + U
TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY Fort Worth	Kansas 13-0 F	Oklahoma U	Arkansas 6-13 * + F	So. California Oct. 8 U	Texas A & M 7-20 + F	Penn State 21-27 * U	Baylor 7-25 * + U		Texas 3-13 * + U	Rice 6-19 + U S. M. U. Nov. 27 13-0 + T
TEXAS TECH Lubbock	Texas A & M 14-27 * F	West Texas State 40-14 * + F	Oklahoma A & M 27-13 * F	Texas West'n 27-6 * + F	L. S. U. U	College of Pacific 34-7 * F		Arizona 52-27 * + F	Tulsa 49-7 * F	Houston 41-21 * F Hard-Sim. Nov. 27 46-12 + F
TEXAS WEST'N El Paso	Sul Ross St. 26-7 * F	McMurry * F	Arizona St. at Tempe 28-27 * U	Texas Tech 6-27 * + U	Trinity (Tex.) * U	No. Texas State 26-21 U	New Mexico A & M 39-0 + F	Hard-Sim. 13-14 * + U	Arizona 28-20 * + U	W. Tex. St. Nov. 25 27-17 * + F
TRINITY Hartford, Conn.		Williams * U	Bowdoin * F	Tufts 27-14 F	St. Lawrence U		Coast Guard 14-25 * U	Amherst 7-12 U	Wesleyan 7-12 U	
TUFTS Medford, Mass.		Bowdoin 6-32 U	Wesleyan * U	Trinity (Conn.) 14-27 * U	Colby F	Williams 12-9 U	Amherst 6-13 U	Rochester U	Massachusetts 14-6 * U	
TULANE New Orleans, La.	Georgia Tech 13-27 + U	Memphis St. * F	North Carolina * U	Mississippi State 0-21 * + U	Mississippi 14-45 + U	Georgia 14-16 * + U	Auburn (Mobile) 7-34 + U	Alabama * + U	Vanderbilt 7-21 + U	L. S. U. Nov. 27 13-32 * + U
TULSA Oklahoma	Hardin- Simmons 14-13 * U	Arkansas 7-27 U	Cincinnati 7-14 U	Alabama 13-41 U	Kansas State * U	Detroit Oct. 22 0-33 * + U	Oklahoma A & M 14-28 * + U	Houston 23-21 + U	Texas Tech. U	Wyoming Nov. 25 19-19 * + U
U. C. L. A. Los Angeles, Calif.	San Diego NTC * F	Kansas 19-7 F	Maryland Oct. 1 * F	Washington 22-6 + F	Stanford 20-21 * + F	Oregon State 41-0 + F	California 20-7 + U	Oregon 12-0 * + F		So. Calif. 13-0 * + F
UTAH Salt Lake City	Washington 14-21 U	Arizona 28-7 * F	Oregon U	Brigham- Young 33-32 * + F	Denver 40-6 * + F	Wyoming 13-12 + U	Idaho 21-0 * F	Colorado A & M 35-14 + F	Colorado 0-21 * U	Montana + F Utah State Nov. 25 33-13 * + T
UTAH STATE Logan	San Jose St. U	Wichita 14-7 * F	New Mexico 6-0 * + U	Fresno State 46-6 F	Montana 33-14 + F	Colorado A & M 14-13 * + F	Brigham- Young 14-7 * + F	Wyoming 13-20 * + U	Denver 21-12 * + F	Utah Nov. 25 13-33 + T
VANDERBILT Nashville, Tenn.		Baylor 6-47 * U	Alabama (Mobile) 12-21 * + U	Mississippi 6-28 * + U	Georgia + U		Rice U	Kentucky 14-40 + U	Tulane 21-7 * + F	Wash. & Lee * F Tennessee Nov. 27 6-33 * + U
VERMONT Burlington		Union F	Maine 0-13 * + U		Rochester 28-7 F	Norwich 26-13 F	Massachusetts * + U	Middlebury 0-7 * F		
VILLANOVA Pennsylvania		Syracuse 14-13 * U	Mississippi * U	Florida State U	Detroit Oct. 15 0-27 * F		Kentucky 0-19 U	Boston Univ. 19-31 U	Mississippi Southern (Mobile) * U	Fordham Nov. 27 20-13 F
V. M. I. Lexington, Va.	Davidson * + F	George Washington (Alexandria) 13-14 + U	Richmond 7-13 * + U	Boston Coll. U	Virginia 21-6 U	W. Virginia (Lynchburg) 20-52 + U	Florida State (Lynchburg) 7-12 U	Wm. & Mary (Roanoke) 20-19 + U	Citadel 14-0 * + F	Va. Tech. Nov. 25 (Roanoke) 28-13 + U
VIRGINIA TECH Blacksburg	No. Carolina State * F	Wake Forest (Richmond) U	Clemson U	Washington & Lee 32-12 + F	Richmond 21-7 * + U	Virginia (Roanoke) 20-6 U	Wm. & Mary (Roanoke) 7-13 * + U	George Washington Nov. 5 + U	Waynesburg * F	V. M. I. Nov. 25 (Roanoke) 13-28 + F
VIRGINIA Charlottesville		Lehigh * F	George Washington 24-20 * F	Penn State U	V. M. I. 6-21 * F	Virginia Tech (Roanoke) 6-20 F	Army U	Washington & Lee 13-27 * F	South Carolina 0-19 + U	North Carolina 7-33 * + U
WAKE FOREST North Carolina		Virginia Tech (Richmond) F	No. Carolina State 20-7 * + F	Maryland (Wins.-Salem) + U	George Washington Oct. 15 U		Clemson (Charlottesville) 0-18 + U	Richmond 13-13 F	Duke 0-19 * + U	Wm. & Mary 14-16 U So. Carolina Nov. 27 19-13 + U
WASHINGTON St. Louis, Mo.		Miss'l Mines 26-7 * F	Ill. Wesleyan 54-6 * F	Wayne 13-33 F	West Reserve 14-20 * T	West. Mich. 18-7 * U	Evansville 34-13 * F	Butler 27-14 F	So. Illinois 28-6 F	Bradley F
WASHINGTON Seattle	Utah 21-14 * F	Michigan 0-50 * U	Oregon State (Portland) 28-0 + F	U. C. L. A. 6-22 * + U	Baylor U	Stanford 7-13 + U	Oregon 14-6 * + U	California 25-53 * + F	So. California 13-13 + U	Washington State 20-25 + F
WASHINGTON STATE Pullman	So. California Sept. 17 13-29 * + U	Col. of Pacific (Spokane) 26-20 * F	Texas U	Oregon State 0-7 * + F	California + U	Idaho 30-13 * + F	Stanford 19-48 + U	Michigan State U	Oregon 7-0 + U	Washington 25-20 * + U
WASHINGTON & LEE Lexington, Va.		Wm. Virginia (Charleston) 14-40 + U	Wm. & Mary (Norfolk) 33-7 * + U	Virginia Tech 12-32 * + U	Pennsylvania U	Richmond 19-27 * + U	Davidson 34-7 + F	Virginia 27-13 U	George Washington 7-25 * + U	Vanderbilt U
WESLEYAN Middletown, Conn.		Middlebury 7-12 F	Tufts F	Coast Guard 6-6 F	Wore. Tech 33-21 * F	Amherst 20-20 * + U	Swarthmore 27-13 F	Williams 0-13 + U	Trinity (Texas) 6-14 * U	Hardin- Simmons 14-26 * + U
WEST TEXAS STATE Canyon	McMurry 20-20 * F	Texas Tech 14-40 * + U	Midwestern 20-14 * F		New Mexico A & M 13-19 * + F	Arizona St. at Tempe 20-39 * + U	Arizona 6-39 + U	Trinity (Texas) 6-14 * U	Hardin- Simmons 14-26 * + U	Texas West'n Nov. 25 7-27 + U
WEST VIRGINIA Morgantown		Wash. & Lee (Charleston) 40-14 + F	South Carolina 14-20 U	George Washington 27-6 * + F	Penn State 20-19 U	V. M. I. (Bluefield) 52-20 + F	Pittsburgh 17-7 * U	Fordham * F	Wm. & Mary + F	No. Carolina State 61-0 * F
WICHITA Kansas	Emporia State * F	Utah State 7-14 * U	Drake Oct. 1 27-0 * F	Oklahoma A & M 7-14 * + U		Denver Oct. 22 12-12 * F	Houston * + U	North Dakota State * F	Cincinnati U	Detroit 6-26 * + U Tulsa Nov. 25 19-10 + F
WILLIAM & MARY Williamsburg, Va.		Navy 6-6 U	Washington & Lee (Norfolk) 7-33 * + F	North Carolina St. 7-6 * F	Rutgers F	George Washington Oct. 22 12-7 * + U	Virginia Tech 13-7 + F	V. M. I. (Roanoke) 19-20 + F	West Virginia * + U	Wake Forest 16-14 * F Richmond Nov. 25 21-0 + F
WILLIAMS Williamstown, Mass.		Trinity (Conn.) F	Rochester 14-6 * F	Middlebury 7-0 * F	Bowdoin 20-14 F	Tufts 9-12 * F	Union 27-20 F	Wesleyan 13-0 * + F	Amherst 14-28 + U	
WISCONSIN Madison		Marquette 13-11 * F	Michigan * U	Rice * F	Purdue 28-19 * + F	Ohio State 19-20 + F	Iowa 10-6 + U	Northwestern 34-13 * F	Illinois 34-7 + U	Minnesota 21-21 * + F
WYOMING Laramie	Oklahoma A & M 14-20 * U	Kansas State * U	Denver 13-13 * + F	Colorado A & M 21-14 * + F	New Mexico 7-9 * + F	Utah 12-13 * + F		Utah State 20-13 + F	Brigham- Young 27-0 + F	Tulsa F Arizona Nov. 27 * F
XAVIER Cincinnati, Ohio	Quantico Sept. 19 6-13 * F	Ohio Univ. U	Great Lakes Oct. 3 * F	Miami (O.) 6-28 U	Dayton Oct. 17 7-0 * U	Cincinnati 6-20 U	Boston Coll. 14-31 U	John Carroll 19-33 U	Chattanooga 6-16 * F	Dayton (2nd Game) 0-0 U
YALE New Haven, Conn.		Connecticut 32-0 * F	Brown 13-0 * + F	Columbia 13-7 + F	Cornell 0-0 * + U	Colgate 7-7 * F	Dartmouth 0-32 * + F	Army * F	Princeton 26-24 * + F	Harvard 0-13 + F
YOUNGSTOWN Ohio	Gustav-Adol. Sept. 11 26-25 * F	Great Lakes Sept. 23 * F		Westchester State F	East Ky. St. 20-19 * F	Abilene Christian * U	John Carroll 21-7 * U	LaCrosse St. * F	Baldwin-Wall Nov. 11 7-0 * U	Mt. Union Nov. 18 * U

## THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE 1954 SCHEDULE



WINNING KICK by Doak Walker of important point for Detroit's 17-16 championship win over Cleveland.



OFFICIALS KICK out Lions' 2nd quarter touchdown, ruling forward pass involved in play was illegal.

BEST KICKING was done by Lou "The Toe" Groza, who kept Cleveland alive with three field goals.



- SEPT. 26**—Chicago Bears ..... at Detroit  
 Cleveland ..... at Philadelphia  
 Los Angeles ..... at Baltimore  
 New York ..... at Chicago Cardinals  
 Pittsburgh ..... at Green Bay  
 Washington ..... at San Francisco
- OCT. 2**—New York ..... at Baltimore ●  
 Washington ..... at Pittsburgh ●  
**3**—Chicago Bears ..... at Green Bay  
 Detroit ..... at Cleveland  
 Philadelphia ..... at Chicago Cards  
 San Francisco ..... at Los Angeles  
**9**—Pittsburgh ..... at Philadelphia ●  
**10**—Baltimore ..... at Chicago Bears  
 Chicago Cardinals ..... at Cleveland  
 Los Angeles ..... at Detroit  
 New York ..... at Washington  
 San Fran. vs. Green Bay at Milwaukee  
**16**—Baltimore ..... at Detroit ●  
**17**—Chicago Cardinals ..... at New York  
 Cleveland ..... at Pittsburgh  
 Los Angeles vs. Green Bay at Milwaukee  
 Philadelphia ..... at Washington  
 San Francisco ..... at Chicago Bears  
**23**—Philadelphia ..... at Pittsburgh ●  
**24**—Chicago Bears ..... at Los Angeles  
 Cleveland ..... at Chicago Cardinals  
 Detroit ..... at San Francisco  
 Green Bay ..... at Baltimore  
 Washington ..... at New York  
**30**—Green Bay ..... at Philadelphia ●  
**31**—Baltimore ..... at Washington  
 Chicago Bears ..... at San Francisco  
 Detroit ..... at Los Angeles  
 New York ..... at Cleveland  
 Pittsburgh ..... at Chicago Cardinals
- NOV. 6**—Detroit ..... at Baltimore ●  
**7**—Chicago Cardinals ..... at Philadelphia  
 Green Bay ..... at Chicago Bears  
 Los Angeles ..... at San Francisco  
 New York ..... at Pittsburgh  
 Washington ..... at Cleveland  
**13**—Baltimore vs. Green Bay  
 ..... at Milwaukee ●  
**14**—Chicago Cardinals ..... at Los Angeles  
 Cleveland ..... at Chicago Bears  
 Philadelphia ..... at New York  
 Pittsburgh ..... at Washington  
 San Francisco ..... at Detroit  
**20**—San Francisco ..... at Pittsburgh ●  
**21**—Chicago Bears ..... at Baltimore  
 Detroit ..... at Green Bay  
 Los Angeles ..... at New York  
 Philadelphia ..... at Cleveland  
 Washington ..... at Chicago Cardinals  
**25**—*Thanksgiving Day*  
 Green Bay ..... at Detroit (11:05 A.M.)  
**28**—Chicago Cardinals ..... at Pittsburgh  
 Cleveland ..... at New York  
 Los Angeles ..... at Chicago Bears  
 San Francisco ..... at Baltimore  
 Washington ..... at Philadelphia
- DEC. 4**—Baltimore ..... at Los Angeles  
**5**—Chicago Bears ..... at Chicago Cardinals  
 Cleveland ..... at Washington  
 Green Bay ..... at San Francisco  
 Philadelphia ..... at Detroit  
 Pittsburgh ..... at New York  
**11**—Baltimore ..... at San Francisco  
**12**—Chicago Cardinals ..... at Washington  
 Detroit ..... at Chicago Bears  
 Green Bay ..... at Los Angeles  
 New York ..... at Philadelphia  
 Pittsburgh ..... at Cleveland
- 26**—World's Championship Playoff Game in home city of Eastern Conference Champion.

● Denotes night games.





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# National Pro League

## 49ers TO DETHRONE LIONS AS THE BROWNS FACE STIFFER OPPOSITION

### PREDICTION

#### Western Division

1. San Francisco 49ers
2. Detroit Lions
3. Los Angeles Rams
4. Chicago Bears
5. Green Bay Packers
6. Baltimore Colts

#### Eastern Division

1. Cleveland Browns
2. Washington Redskins
3. Philadelphia Eagles
4. Pittsburgh Steelers
5. Chicago Cardinals
6. New York Giants

**N**ATIONAL Football League teams are mobilized and ready to inaugurate another blood and thunder, knock 'em down and drag 'em out siege for the post-graduate championship.

Upwards of two million and a half cash clients will be eye-witnesses to various phases of the bruising 1954 battle for the professional title. Countless millions more will watch the bitterly contested struggle unfold in the comfort of living-room arm-chairs, via nation-wide television.

The NFL presents nine Saturday night and two Saturday afternoon TV games nationally this season. Also, the league has committed itself to television "the game of the week" coast-to-coast each Sunday afternoon during the 12-game regular season.

Blackouts will be in effect only in the 90-mile area surrounding the point of the telecast origin and in other cities where league skirmishes are being played simultaneously.

The NFL, heading into its 35th title campaign, racked up its most prosperous season last year. Eleven of the 12 teams made money, the majority posting profits in heavy, important legal-tender figures. The Chicago Cardinals was the only club that failed to show a profit, but reduced 1952 "red-ink" ledger entries drastically.

TV revenue, kicked around carelessly by the National Collegiate Athletic Association, was a major factor in generating pro football's unprecedented prosperity in 1953.

Attendance ballooned to another record high, 2,164,585 customers laying it on the line for 72 league contests. Another 54,577 taxed the capacity of Detroit's Briggs Stadium for the championship playoff.

This made a total of 2,219,162 for the season, an average of 30,399 per game. It was the third time that pro football's big wheel had zoomed to a new attendance mark in a four-season span.

A single point was all that separated the Detroit Lions and the Cleveland Browns in last year's championship playoff, involving the Western and Eastern Division title winners. The point and the championship belonged to the Lions, 17 to 16.

With only two minutes and 45 seconds to go, a breath-stopping 33-yard touchdown pass, which went from Bobby Layne to Jim Doran, tied the score. Doak Walker's point-after-touchdown boot, with the pressure on, produced the winning point. It was the second consecutive league championship for the Lions, coached by Raymond (Buddy) Parker.

The league's power units, with the exception of the Cleveland Browns, are still in the Western Division. However, overall improvement in the Eastern Division, particularly by the Washington Redskins and Pittsburgh Steelers, is evident.

Thus, the Browns, who made a runaway 1953 race in the Eastern Division, with an 11 won and 1 lost record, will be confronted by sterner competition.

But, the class team of the league is the San Francisco 49ers. It was the general consensus among rival league coaches that the 49ers were the best in the circuit at season's end last year.

They finished only one game off Detroit's Western Division title pace, with a 9 won, 3 lost record, despite the fact that their great passing star, Y. A. Tittle, was incapacitated for several critical mid-season games because of a jaw fracture.

Lawrence (Buck) Shaw, San Francisco's shrewd head coach and one of game's best, drafted 11 players out of the 30 selected, for future delivery. This is a tipoff that the 49ers are staggering with strength and will be even more potent than they were last season.

Thus, it is logical, we think, to predict that the 49ers will dethrone Detroit as Western Division champions this year. With a fair distribution of luck, it also is reasonable to suppose they will go all the way and win the league championship.

The most important element in calculating the 49ers as the circuit's best is the fact that they were able to lure John Henry Johnson, phenomenal Negro halfback, away from the Canadian Calgary Stampeders.

Johnson was the scourge of the Western Inter-provincial Union last season, a unanimous All-Canada team choice. Bod Snyder, former field director of the Los Angeles Rams, coached Calgary last year. Speaking of John Henry, he says:

"He's the best back I've ever seen. I realize the enormity of this statement because I played with George McAfee on the Chicago Bears and coached Tom Harmon when I was with the Rams, but Johnson will prove it with the 49ers this year. He's swift, rugged and mean, a natural, if there ever was one."

The addition of the 6 foot 2 inch, 205 pound thunderbolt, also a linebacking defensive standout, gives San Francisco a super backfield.

Tittle, the league's third ranking quarterback passer, with 149 completions in 259 pitches for 2,121 yards and 20 touchdown strikes; Joe Perry, the league's leading ground gainer, with 1,018 yards, 10 TDS and a 5.3 average; and Hugh McElhenny, the circuit's seventh ranking ball-carrier, are the other members of this explosive backfield quartet.

It would be impractical to pick any other team to win the Eastern Division championship than the monopolistic Browns, despite a definite trend towards a balance of power in the Division.

It will be the Browns for the fifth straight season. Their cunning and resourceful coach, Paul Brown, has distinguished himself beyond a shadow of a doubt as an all-time coaching great. In eight pro seasons, he won four All-America Conference championships, four consecutive NFL Eastern Division titles and one NFL league crown, in 1950.

Detroit will not pack the power it did last year and certainly does not figure to be as lucky. The retirement of the great Pat Harder, fullback; Vince Banonis, veteran center; and the loss of Gene Gedman, halfback, to the army, leaves three gaping holes in the offensive platoon.

Likewise, the retirement of Bob Smith, veteran line-backing specialist and talented punter, and of Big John Prchlik, a standout tackle, has weakened the defensive platoon.

We do not agree with the popular notion that the Brown's chief contention in the East will be forthcoming from the Philadelphia Eagles. The Eagles, coached by Big Jim Trimble, were unex-

pected division runners-up the past two seasons.

Instead, we think the Browns' solid contention will come from the upswinging Washington Redskins. Their veteran coach, Earl L. (Curly) Lambeau, always a superior defensive mentor, appears to have acquired enough additional offensive punch, finally, to produce the balance a winning team needs.

Two teams, the Chicago Bears in the West and Pittsburgh in the East, merit being labeled definite surprise possibilities. Both are improved and, if their Grade A rookies, particularly the quarterbacks, measure up to exacting NFL standards, they could develop into prize sleepers.

Three new head coaches are making their NFL debuts this season. They are Lisle Blackbourn, with the Green Bay Packers, Jim Lee Howell, New York Giants, and Wilbur "Weeb" Ewbank, Baltimore Colts.

Three major off-season trades were transacted, with Los Angeles participating in all. This could mean the Rams had so many top-rated rookies drafted previous to this year reporting, notably Billy Wale, ex-Vanderbilt All-America qb, they could afford to unload proved-up veterans.

Also, it could be that the Rams' prexy, Danny Reeves, is getting impatient because his team failed to qualify for the title playoff the past two seasons. Because of Reeves' insistence on a winner, it is possible, too, that the Rams' head coach, Hampton Pool, is getting panicky.

The first important deal involved three clubs, the Rams, Redskins and Cardinals. First, the Rams shipped Dick (Night Train) Lane, defensive halfback; Len Teeuws, veteran offensive tackle; and Bob Morgan, highly touted West Virginia rookie tackle, to the Cardinals in exchange for Don Paul, top-rated defensive halfback, and Volney Peters, ex-U.S.C., tackle star.

Whereupon, the Rams swapped Paul to the Redskins for Don Doll, also a standout defensive safetyman, in a straight player deal.

Later, the Rams acquired Hall Haynes, another top-ranking de-

fensive halfback, from the Redskins for Ed Barker, ex-Washington State end star and their No. 1 draft pick in 1953, and Norbert Hecker, defensive back, formerly of Baldwin-Wallace.

In the third trade, the Bears obtained Larry Brinks, giant, 6-5, 240-pound defensive end star and a six-season veteran, for Bob Cross, ponderous Stephen Austin, Texas, tackle. Cross played one season—1952—for the Bears before "jumping" to Canada.

The "rookie-of-the-year"? John Henry Johnson of the 49ers is our man, barring injury.

#### WESTERN DIVISION

**SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS**—The class of the league. A great team must own a passer and two pass-catching ends of superior calibre. In Yelton (Y. A.) Tittle, the 49ers have one of the league's best pitchers, a guy, who is just reaching his peak. Gordon Soltau and Billy Wilson are the best pass-receiving team in the NFL.

But, the 49ers have more than a great passer and pass-catching combination. They also have one of the most explosive backfields in all history, with the addition of John Henry Johnson, phenomenal Negro halfback and an escapee from Canada.

Johnson will team with Tittle, Hugh McElhenny, halfback, and NFL "rookie of the year" in 1952, and Joe Perry, fullback and the NFL's leading rusher last season. Rival teams will discover it is almost impossible to defend against a team, which has the striking power, both in the air and on the ground, that this 49er team possesses.

The fact that McElhenny, Johnson and Perry also are adroit pass-receivers and elusive runners generates a triple headache for defensive platoons.

This is the day of mammoth linemen in pro football. The 49ers have them, too. For example, Leo Nomellini (252), Bob St. Claire (245), Al Carapella (235) and Francis Campbell (250), tackles; Bill Johnson (240), center, and Bruno Banduccis (220), Don Burke (235), Art Michalik (225) and Nick Feher (225) guards.



They are not only big, but quick.

Three veteran players return from service as well as four rookie draft future picks of previous years. The veterans are Ed Henske (225), defensive end; Bob Tuneff (252), ex-Notre Dame tackle, and Dave Sparks, offensive guard.

The belated rookies are Campbell, the Georgia giant; Billy Tidwell, All-Southwest Conference halfback from Texas A & M; Gene Shannon, Little All-America halfback from Houston, and Joe Palumbo from Virginia, rated a great guard prospect.

Five more highly rated rookies have come up direct from college. They are Leo Rucka and Morgan Williams, Rice, and Steve Korchek, George Washington, linebackers, Bob Hantla, Kansas, guard and Ted Connolly, Santa Clara-Tulsa, tackle. Jim Cason, one of the league's top defensive backs for four seasons, is back from Canada. In addition, the 49ers have great backfield depth, with Joe Arenas, Rex Berry, Hardy Brown, John Morton, Pete Schabarum and Jim Machino ready to step into the breach as replacements.

The only weak link in the 49ers' armor is pointed up in the fact that they do not have a Grade A replacement for their key-man, Tittle. Unless, a late trade develops, Hal Ledyard, Chattanooga, carried all last season as a rookie, will be Tittle's understudy.

**DETROIT LIONS**—Buddy Parker, the Lions' head coach, feels that he will have another fine team this year. Naturally, his ambition is to achieve something that no other coach has been able to do previously—win three league title playoffs in a row.

Parker realizes, however, that the 49ers, Rams and, possibly, the Chicago Bears, are loaded and that the divisions' two other clubs, the Packers and the Colts, cannot be looked upon as "smackovers."

As champions, the Lions were penalized in the draft for the second straight year and obliged to take last pick. Despite this handicap last year, he started three rookies, Charley Ane, center, Harley Sewell, guard, and Gene Gedman, halfback, in the Lions' win-

ning championship playoff stand. Two more rookies, Joe Schmidt, guard, and Oliver Spencer, tackle, were defensive starters. Spencer, along with defensive halfback and superior punter Yale Lary, have been lost to the Army.

Parker's biggest single probable is replacing Pat Harder, one of the game's all-time great blocking fullbacks. He has high hopes that Bill Bowman, 210-pound William & Mary fullback, will come through as a "freshman." He was the Lions' third draft pick and rushed 722 yards for a 5.5 average last season. Whether he can provide quarterback Bobby Layne with the blocking protection he needs on passes is problematical.

Dick Chapman, 6-6, 225-pound Rice tackle; Jim Neal, 6-4, 215 pound Michigan State center; Howie McCants, 6-8, 235 pound Washington State end, and Bill Stits, UCLA's great halfback, are among the Grade A Lion rookies. In addition Gordon Cooper, Denver end and a high draft pick before he entered the service, has completed his tour of duty. Cooper caught 113 passes, an NCAA record, in three seasons with Denver.

The Lions' 1954 schedule is one of those so-called suicide things. Under it, they play all teams in their own—the power—division twice. Also, in their intra-division competition, they must meet the Browns and the Eagles, two of the Eastern groups' best.

**LOS ANGELES RAMS**—The Rams' primary strength, and they are power-packed again, will be in their air-arm, which boasts three top-rated quarterbacks and a quartet of superior catchers.

Norm Van Brocklin, a five season veteran is the team's No. 1 qb. He was the second best pitcher in the NFL last season, with 156 completions in 286 throws, 2,393 yards and 19 TDs.

Billy Wade, Vanderbilt's All-American qb and the Rams' bonus pick in 1952, has joined the team, after a two year hitch in the Navy. Rudy Bukich, the Trojans' heroic Rose Bowl performer in 1952, give the Rams three deep depth in this vital position.

Veterans Elroy (Crazylegs) Hirsch, Tom Fears and Bob Boyd,

who reported late after coming out of the Navy last year, and Tom Carey, a standout rookie from Michigan State in 1952, are the Rams' pass-receiving big four.

Other high rated end prospects are Dewey McConnell of Wyoming, another service returnee, and Sam Hensley, of Georgia Tech's Sugar Bowl champions.

The Rams also will be bolstered by the return of Les Richter, California's two-time All-America line-backing center, after two years in the Army. Another service returnee is Jim (Boxcar) Bailey of Miami, O., who is reported to be a fabulous halfback.

Los Angeles' pass defense in the clutch was disastrous last year, which probably accounted for their zeal to obtain Don Doll and Hall Haynes via trades.

Other Ram rookies likely to succeed are, Ed Beatty, 6-4, 234-pound Mississippi center and the team's No. 1 draft choice this year, Maurice Gillioz, the No. 2 draft pick, Houston tackle, and Mickey Lakos of Vanderbilt and Jim Kicaid, South Carolina, both line-backers.

**CHICAGO BEARS**—George Halas, veteran-owner coach of the Bears, has been conducting a frantic re-construction job and now thinks he has progressed far enough to merit a real dark-horse championship rating.

The key man in the anticipated Bear upsurge is Zeke Bratkowski, 6-2, 210-pound Georgia qb rookie. Called one of football's finest passers by such authorities as Paul Brown and Steve Owen, Bratkowski must click to make the Bears a title factor.

Drafted in 1953 as a future, the Brat has been one-two among collegiate passers for the past three seasons. Last year, he completed 112 for a losing Georgia team. He also led the nation's collegiate punters, with a 42.6 average. Finally, his three year total offense mark of 4,671 yards was a new Southeastern Conference record.

He is big, fast, smart and has poise that few first-year pros possess. He will be backed up by the veteran George Blanda and Ed Brown, San Francisco rookie, who is back from Marine duty.

The Bears should be stronger defensively, particularly at end. The acquisition of Ed Meadows, Duke, and John Hudson, Rice, in the draft and of Larry Brinks, a seasoned defender, from the Rams by trade, figures to help considerably.

Halas has rebuilt well at the tackles and in the middle of the line and the line-backing was excellent last year. Defensive halfbacks, particularly against passes, were weak last season, but with Stan Wallace, Illinois' outstanding defender, and Brown, joining Don Kindt and S. J. Whitman, along with several other highly regarded rookies this fault may have been corrected, too.

Some badly needed ground striking punch, with Bucky McElroy, Mississippi Southern's power runner providing the big wallop, also has been added. Ray Smith, sensation with the Camp Lejeune Marines, and McNeil Moore, rated a possible "sleeper" from Houston, also are highly rated rookie backs.

Billy Stone, John Hoffman, Leon Campbell, Fred Morrison and Lloyd Lowe are returning backfield veterans. Whizzer White has rejoined the Bears, after a season's absence necessitated by a knee injury.

Offensively, the Bear line should be considerably stronger, Stan Jones, Maryland's All-America tackle, and J. D. Ashley, 250-pound tackle giant from East Texas State, have been added.

Kline Gilbert, a second year man, has picked up 15 pounds and should be a great offensive tackle this season. With George Connor, John Creamcheck, Frank Dempsey, Ed Sprinkle, Fred Williams, Bill Bishop, Wayne Hansen, Gerold Weatherly, Bill Wightkin and Bill George all back, too, the Bears figure to have one of the league's best forward walls.

**GREEN BAY PACKERS**—Another coaching upheaval finds Lisle Blackbourn, fresh from Marquette U., and with no previous pro experience, directing the Packers.

The Packers had good material last year, but an epidemic of injuries to key players, the failure of others to play up to their po-

tential and front-office pressure for a winner combined to make Green Bay's lot an unhappy one.

Art Hunter, 6-4, 240-pounder from Notre Dame, Bob Fleck, 6-2, 256-pounder from Syracuse, tackles; George Timberlake, 6-1, 220-pound U.S.C., guard, and Bob Kennedy, 5-11, 225-pound defensive middle guard from Wisconsin, are talented draft picks. So are Veryl Switzer, Kansas State halfback speedster and star of the East-West game; Max McGee, 6-3, 203-pound Tulane back, who may be shifted to end; and Tom Allman, rugged W. Virginia fullback.

There is a possibility that Vito (Babe) Parilli, qb star, will be lost to the services and that would hurt. However, the Packers have four fine prospects coming out of service.

They are Bud Roffler, Washington State, drafted in 1951 and a star for two seasons on the Fort Ord Army team; Mike Riley, defensive Iowa fullback; Ed Petela, Boston College back, drafted in 1951, and Tom Ward, highly-regarded 6-3, 220-pound fullback.

Billy Howton and Bob Mann, veteran pass-catching ends, both out for long periods last year because of injuries, will be back. So will Tobin Rote, veteran qb passing star, who was handicapped most of last season by aches and pains. Elry Falkenstein of Illinois has been signed as qb insurance.

Floyd (Breezy) Reid, Gib Dawson, Bobby Dillon, Van Joe Walker, Ben Aldridge, Byron Bailey, Don Barton, Al Carmichael, Marv Johnson, Fred Cone, Ace Loomis, and Howie Ferguson are among the returning backfield veterans.

John Martinkovic, Clive Rush, ends, Roger Zatkoff, Dick Afflis, Dave Hanner and Gus Cifelli, tackles; Clayton Tonnemaker, Jim Ringo and Dave Stephenson, centers, and Steve Ruzich, Deral Teatak, Bill Forester and Buddy Brown are the holdover linemen.

**BALTIMORE COLTS**—The Colts got off to a great start last year, but a flock of injuries subsequently proved they did not have depth, which was fatal.

They lack depth this year, too, and the effectiveness of three veterans, Fred Enke, qb, George Tali-

aferro, hb, and Zollie Toth, fullback, following recovery from injuries, makes them risky gambles.

Three rookies have returned from service duty, who figure to be useful. They are John Mutscheller, end and ex-Notre Dame captain; Jack Bighead, Indian end from Pepperdine, Cal., College and Bill Bonar, ex-Tulane and Bainbridge Navy team qb star.

The Colts' No. 1 draft pick, Francis (Cotton) Davidson of Baylor, could be prize rookie qb of the year. He has plenty of firepower and if the new Baltimore coach, Wilbur (Weeb) Ewbank can correct Davidson's mechanical faults he may be a terrific pro passer.

Pepper Rodgers, Georgia Tech's colorful qb, also is Colt property, but 5-10 and 170 pounds is a bit small for a NFL signal-caller. Two other Georgia Tech backfield rookies, Glenn Turner, fullback, and Leon (Hardrock) Hardeman also are available.

Other rookies worth mentioning are Bob Lade, Peru, Neb., Teachers College's two-time Little All-America guard; John (Jeep) Bednarik, William & Mary center and brother of the redoubtable Chuck; Don Chelf, giant Iowa tackle; Joe D'Agostino, Florida guard; Chuck McMillan, John Carroll, back; guard Bob Adams of Shippenberg and Lloyd Colter-yahn, Maryland end.

Buddy Young, still a great spot back; John Huzvar, a fine fullback; Dan Edwards, end; Dick Barwegan, Sisto Averno and Bill Lange, guards; Art Donovan, Tom Fennen, Joe Campanella, Dick Batten and Gino Marchetti, tackles, are among the returning veterans.

So are Tom Cosgrove, center; Mel Embree and Barney Pool, ends; Bert Reichichar, Carl Taseff, Don Shula and Tom Keane, backs.

Baltimore appears to be still two years away from being a title contender.

#### EASTERN DIVISION

**CLEVELAND BROWNS**—Cleveland's field foreman, Paul Brown, must be rated with football's finest scientist. He also has unerring foresight and is one of the game's



great organizers. Paul's Browns again are rated the power team of the Eastern Division.

Cleveland bagged the draft pick prize of the year, Bobby Garrett of Stanford, college football's top qb and everybody's All-America, by winning the bonus selection.

They already have Otto Graham, the NFL's No. 1 passing quarterback, and George Ratterman, another great pitcher.

The Browns have 16 players back from service. None of them has seen previous service with the Browns and only two have previous pro records.

Most notable of these are tackle Mike McCormack, Kansas, guards Hershel Forester, SMU All-America, Pat Cannamela, U.S.C., and Hal Bradley; halfbacks Burrell Shields, John Carroll and Tom Carodine, Loyola of L. A.; and tackle Chester Gierula, Maryland.

Direct from college, in addition to Garrett, came guard John Bauer, Illinois; center Jerry Hilgenberg, Iowa; and fullback Maurice Bassett, Langdon U. who may be the year's best rookie.

Also, tackles Bill Lucky, Baylor, and Max Schuebel, Rice; end John Carson, Georgia; and halfbacks Chester Hanulak, Maryland, Jerry Ellis, Michigan State, Tom Pagna, Miami, O., Asa Jenkins, Toledo, and last, but by no means least, Gene Filipski, Villanova.

Five players, Graham, Dante Lavelli, end, Lou Groza, tackle, Frank Gatski, center, and Marion Motley, fullback, all key players in the Browns' eight title campaigns, are back.

Graham and Groza enjoyed their greatest seasons last year. Otto compiled a slick 64.7 completion record and Lou booted 23 field goals.

Sharing the offensive burden will be halfbacks Ray Renfro and Billy Reynolds, fullback Harry Jagade and end Darrell Brewster.

Guards Abe Gibron and Chuck Noll; center Tommy Thompson; ends Len Ford and Doug Atkins; tackles John Kissell, Canadian escapee, Don Colo and Jerry Heluin; line-backers Walt Michaels and Catlin and halfbacks Warren Lahr, Tommy James, Ken Gorgal and Ken Konz, all veterans, also are back.

**WASHINGTON REDSKINS**—Back of the Browns, there figures to be plenty of crowding with not much separating the Redskins, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and the Cardinals.

But the Redskins have added enough offensive punch, we think, to figure as the most persistently potent of the group.

Their No. 1 draftee, Steve Meilinger of Kentucky, 6-2, 220-pounder, is a super ball-player—a one man gang. Normally an end, he was a handy-andy at Kentucky also playing tackle, halfback and qb. He is a dangerous, runner, passer and punter on offense and a superior safety-man, line-backer, or end on defense.

In addition, Al Dorow, Michigan State's great halfback and quarterback, has completed a service hitch and reported to the Redskins. Dorow played Single Wing tailback in college and also functions with precision as a T formation qb. His arrival offsets any loss the Redskins might have suffered because of Eddie LeBaron's decision to "jump" to Canada.

Jack Scarbath, Maryland qb and the Redskin's No. 1 draft pick in 1953, was handicapped as rookie because he did not join the team until August, after playing in the All-Star game where he suffered a broken index finger.

Bob Goode, ex-Texas A & M fullback and the league's second best ball-carrier in 1951, and Walt Yowarsky, Kentucky end, who starred two seasons with the Redskins on defense, have returned from service. Chet Ostrowski, ex-Notre Dame end star, has returned from service, too, and reported as a rookie.

Don Paul, one of the league's better all-around backs, was obtained in a three-way trade with the Cardinals. Other top-flight players, who were high draft choices and came direct from college, are Jim Schrader, Notre Dame center; Billy Wells, Michigan State's Rose Bowl halfback star, and Ralph Fenton, Maryland fullback. The acquisition of Wells and Fenton give the Redskins terrific backfield speed.

**PHILADELPHIA EAGLES**—Big Jim Trimble has maneuvered the Eagles into surprising second-

place finishes the past two seasons. He may do it again, but the gent, who kept the Eagles flying high last season is not likely to do it again.

That would be Pete Pihos, seven-year end veteran, but still an amazing ball-player. Bobby Wals-ton, veteran Georgia end pass-catcher and field goal kicker, and Bobby Thomason, veteran short passing qb, also were standout performers last year.

Trimble's big problem will be to replace Vic Sears, 13-year tackle veteran. Sears has hung up his football boots, finally, and so has veteran halfback Russ Craft.

Three rookies, drafted in 1951, have returned from service. They are Dick Lemmon, defensive back from California; Jack Blount, 240-pound Mississippi State tackle, and Ken Huxhold, 228-pound Wisconsin guard.

Neil Worden, Notre Dame's great fullback star, was the Eagles' No. 1 draft pick. Many shrewd observers think Worden will be a better pro player than Johnny Lattner, now with Pittsburgh.

Ted Connor, 6-4, 220-pound Nebraska tackle and Philadelphia's third draft choice, has jumped to Toronto.

Menil Mavraides, 230-pound Notre Dame guard and a fine point kicker; Dan Hunter, tall and agile Florida tackle, and Ray McKown, TCU halfback, are among the Eagles' Grade A rookies.

The prize of them all may turn out to be Tony Rados, Penn State's "Steelton Slingshot" quarterback. Rados was drafted in 1953, but still had another season of eligibility. Rados, 6-2, 190 pounder, threw 425, completing 199 for 2,437 yards and 18 TDs in three seasons. More important, only 25 of his pitches were intercepted.

Trimble also thinks Ralph Paolone, smashing Kentucky back, has what it takes to stick. In addition to being a fine ball-lugger, Paolone is a stickout line-backer.

The Eagles may have come up with a "sleeper" halfback star, too, in Jerry Norton of SMU.

Defensive halfback Don Menasco and Chester Lagod, guard, were acquired in trade with the Giants for end Bob Schnelker and veteran halfback Frank Zeigler.

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**PITTSBURGH STEELERS**—Every-one has been tabbing the Steelers as the team to watch, if not to beat, for years. This season is no exception, but the Steelers' coach, Joe Bach, has definite problems.

Jimmy Finks, T formation qb and the key to the team's offense, is the big question mark. After a sensational 1952 season, he suffered a leg injury last year and underwent knee surgery during the off-season, which, if successful, could make a tremendous difference in the team's striking power.

Bach may decide to convert Paul Cameron, UCLA's great tailback and one of the Steelers' prize rookies, into a T qb.

Offensive end could turn out to be a weakness, too. Elbie Nickel, team captain and the league's second best pass catcher last year, is in his eighth season. Whether he can keep on going at that pace is problematical.

The loss of Marv Matuszak, ex-Tulsa line-backer and guard, to the Army is a severe one, too. As a freshman, he was an All-pro selection last year.

Besides Cameron, Johnny Lattner, Notre Dame's super offensive and defensive halfback, Pat Stark, Syracuse qb, and Jack O'Brien, Florida end, are the best rookies.

Six players are coming out of service. They are Bill (Pug) Pearlman, Tennessee line-backer; Chris Warriner, ex-Pitt end; Ed Kissell, defensive back; Pete Bestwick, a great college qb at Pitt; Andy Andabaker, ex-Pitt guard; and Andy Cheatham, giant Loyola, Los Angeles, tackle.

The Steeler offensive backfield packs plenty of power and punch. There are few better backs than Lynn Chandois, Ray Mathews and Fran Rogel. Tom Calvin and Leo Elter, front-line replacements, are back, too.

The Steelers defensive front line was one of the best in the NFL last year. Pat Brady gives the Steelers the game's best punting.

**CHICAGO CARDINALS**—Joe Stydahar, beginning his second season as head coach, says:

"We feel we have a contender for the 1954 NFL championship."

There is no question that the Cardinals pack offensive punch

and front line defensive strength. But, unfortunately, like all NFL "also rans," they do not own a proved up T qb.

Their No. 1 draft choice, Lemar McHan of Arkansas, must fill the bill as a rookie to get the Cardinals moving upwards. McHan, 6-1, 195-pounder, was a tailback last year and a good one, but he will have to be phenomenal to step into the NFL and match veteran T signal-callers.

Jim Root, who may be called into service, and the veteran Steve Romanik, are holdover qbs.

Ollie Matson, a sensation at fullback in 1952 before he entered service, is expected out of the Army. Guards Ed Listopad and Fred Wallner, both regulars before service call, have returned.

Three top rated rookies also are back. They are Leo Sugar, Purdue end; Don Coleman, Michigan State's great little guard; and Chuck Ulrich, Illinois tackle.

In addition to McHan, the Cardinals grabbed some top rated talent in the draft. End Gary Kanflec, who brings a great pass reception record with him from Colorado; Bobby Cavazos, Texas Tech, and Bill Breddie, Oklahoma A & M, backs; Dean Chambers, Washington U., tackle; and Don Dohoney, All-America end from Michigan State's undefeated team, are among them.

So is Tom McHugh, Notre Dame fullback, Stanley Huntsman, Washash fullback, and Lou Sawchick, giant Ohio U. end. McHugh may turn out to be a "sleeper" prize.

The acquisition of veteran tackle Len Teeuws and rookie tackle Bob Morgan, West Virginia, and Dick (Night Train) Lane, defensive halfback, from Los Angeles in a trade will be helpful.

The great Charley Trippi, seven season veteran, and Johnny Olszewski, a fine rookie back from California last year, will spearhead the attack along with Matson. Jim Psaltis, Ray Ramsey, Jerry Groom, Don Joyce, George Gilchrist, John Panelli, Jack Simmons, Leo Sanford, Bill Svobada and Jerry Watford are among other returning veterans. Ray Ramsey, defensive halfback star and seven-year veteran, has jumped across the border to Hamilton.



**NEW YORK GIANTS**—Jim Lee Howell, launching his first season as field commander of the Giants, has gone on record that he is of-fensive-minded.

This policy is in sharp contrast to the football formula of his pred-ecessor and former boss, Steve Owen, a top defensive coach.

Anyhow, Howell has rounded up three new aids. Vince Lombardi, Bill Swiacki and Tom Landry who functions as player-coach.

Howell has announced he will stress the Split-T, which is a fine idea. Unfortunately, the lad who figures to direct the attack is not a swift and talented runner.

Don Heinrich, formerly of Washington, qb rookie and recently released from service duty, is that gent. He suffered a knee in-jury in college. But, in spite of it, managed to re-write practically every passing record in the Pacific Coast Conference. He may develop into one of the game's great throw-ers.

The veteran Charley Conerly and Arnie Galiffa, former Army great, who played briefly last season, after being released from ac-tive duty, give the Giants a three-deep qb alignment. But, Heinrich must click to get the Giants rolling.

Three veterans, Clarence Avin-ger and "Sunny" Grandelius,

backs, and Joe Salaitis, great guard for 11 season, have retired. Arnie Weinmeister, veteran tackle and one of the league's best, has "jumped" to Canada.

Returning from service are John Kaston, Boston U., back; Cliff Liv-ington, UCLA, and Ken McAfee, Alabama, ends; Joe Matesic, Ari-zona State Tempe, tackle; and Don Putman, gigantic 6-6, 305-pound Fort Ord tackle.

The outstanding rookies picked off in the draft were Ken Buck, Pacific, end; George Jacoby, Ohio State, tackle; Dick Nolan, Mary-land, back; Crawford Mims, Mis-sissippi's All-America guard; and Ralph Sharkey, West Virginia, and Bob Topp, Michigan, ends.

The Giants' most glaring weak-ness last season was at offensive end. Livingston, brother of Howie, McAfee, Buck, Sharkey and Topp figure to remedy that somewhat.

The Giants have great power in their first line backfield with Eddie Price, one of the league best. Kyle Rote and Frank Gifford, who paced the team in scoring last year (47 points), operating as a unit.

The weakness of the Giants of-fensive ends was greatly reduced in two late trades when they acquired Bob Schnelker from the Eagles and Dick Wilkins from the Colts.

**JIM DORAN** of Detroit Lions, snares 25 yard pass despite Cleveland's Gorgal (15) and Lahr, in championship game last December.



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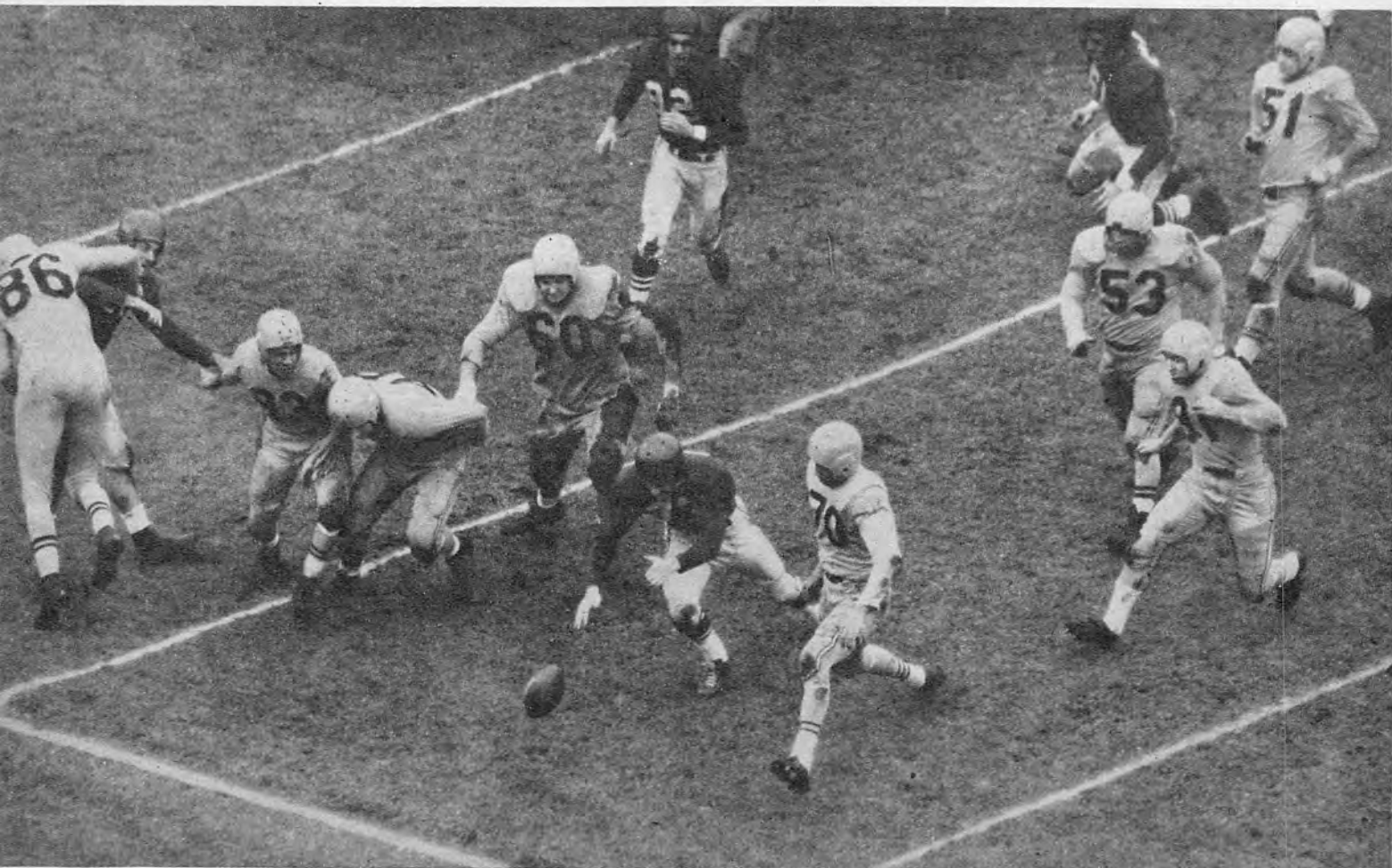


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AL PFEIFFER, Toronto Argonauts' terrific end and formerly of N. Y. Giants, is off on a run after receiving Knobby Wirkowski's pass in game last season as Tom Worthington, left, and Jack Rogers get up steam for the chase.

RED O'QUINN, of the Montreal Alouettes, is poised to pounce on a loose ball in game against Hamilton Tiger-Cats last year. Among host of Hamilton players in photo are Bob Cross (60) and Eddie Bevan (53).





By Harry Mac Namara

Football expert and sports  
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# Canadian Football

## GENERAL IDEA OF THE CANADIAN FOOTBALL SCENE FOR TV VIEWERS

**C**ANADIAN football has come of age. Everyone agrees that it is heading into its greatest season, since the colorful Grey Cup series, matching "the-best-in-the-East" against "the-best-in-the-West," was introduced in 1921.

Importation of top-flight American players and Yankee coaches, increase in stadia capacities and sharp rule changes have combined to boom the sport.

Presentation of pro football, Canadian variety, via a coast-to-coast telecast, in the United States also will be an interesting experiment. It will be presented in direct competition to American college Saturday afternoon TV presentations.

It will step up revenues for Canada's Big Four Union participating teams and figures to stimulate interest in this unusual, wide-open style of football in the U. S.

The Hamilton Tiger-Cats, coached by Carl Voyles, are the 1954 defending national Canadian Grey Cup and Eastern Conference Big Four Union champions. Winnipeg's Blue Bombers are the title defenders in the Western Interprovincial Union.

There are three other member teams in the Eastern Conference, the Ottawa Rough Riders; Montreal Alouettes and Toronto Argonauts. In the Western Conference, there will be four challengers this year, the Edmonton Eskimos; Regina Roughriders, Calgary Stampeders and the Vancouver Lions, in league competition for the first time.

Oddly enough, the Western Conference has been victorious only four times in 32 Grey Cup final matches. This state of affairs does not appear to have chilled the hysteria that the battle for the ancient mug stirs up annually. It approximates "baseball World Series fever" in America.

Western clubs claim their brand of ball is superior, in spite of the East's top-heavy winning record in the Cup series. Commenting on the West's failures in the Cup final, G. Sydney Halter, paid commissioner of the Western Conference, said:

"By the time the cup game is played, our winner is fairly well 'buffed out.' We play more games than Big Four teams do. Also, the cup match always is played in Toronto and our winner has to travel a long way to play.

"This is because Toronto has the largest stadium, plus the fact that the weather in our territory late in November is too rugged for football."

One of the weaknesses in Canadian ball is the

frequent encore meetings of conference teams. Western Conference teams, during last year's 16-game schedule, played two rivals five times and the other six times.

Tie-in schedules with Big Four teams have been advocated to relieve the monotony of rematches. Some headway has been made in the past two seasons when rival conference teams met in pre-season exhibition games.

It is interesting to note that eight Canada teams are coached by Americans. Only one, the new Vancouver Lions, is directed by a native-born Canadian, Annis Stukus, former Toronto sports writer and ex-Toronto Blues college star.

Stukus is one of four new Canadian head coaches this season, proving that the "win, or else" policy is just as prevalent there as it is in the U. S.

George Trafton, ex-Chicago Bear center, steered Winnipeg into a losing Grey Cup final stand last season and was fired, with one year to go on a three-year pact, a procedure which netted him \$12,500 for doing nothing. Al Sherman, new head coach of the Bombers, comes from the New York Giants where he was backfield coach. Before that, he was a left-handed T qb with the Philadelphia Eagles.

Frank (Pep) Ivy, former Oklahoma and Chicago Cardinal end star, is Edmonton's new coach. He succeeded Darrell Royal, who resigned to become head coach at Mississippi. Royal introduced the Split T formation to Canada last year.

The fourth new coach is Larry Siemmering, Washington Redskins aide last season. Larry is directing the Calgary club. He replaced Bob Snyder, ex-head coach of the Los Angeles Rams and Bear star, who lasted only one season. The Western Conference is regarded as Canada's coaching graveyard. There were three coaching changes in the division last season.

In the Big Four Eastern Conference, Frank Clair, former Ohio State and Washington Redskin end star, is in his fourth season as Toronto's coach. The Argonauts, ten-time winner of the Grey Cup, the last time in 1952, are regarded as the N. Y. Yankees of Canadian football.

Douglas (Peahead) Walker is in his third season as commander of the Montreal Alouettes, was assistant under Herman Hickman at Yale and before that head man at Wake Forest for 14 seasons.

Clem Crowe, in his fourth season as the Ottawa Rough Riders' head man, was head coach of the

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Baltimore Colts. He coached Ottawa to a Grey Cup championship in his first season—1951.

Likewise, Voyles, who brought the Grey Cup to Hamilton last year for the first time since 1935, is a seasoned Yankee coach. He served as freshman coach under Bob Zuppke at Illinois and, subsequently, was employed by Duke, William & Mary and Auburn. Before going to Canada, he directed the ill-fated Brooklyn club of the now defunct All-America Conference.

Most responsible for the Canadian football gold rush, perhaps, are Filchuck and Jack Jacobs, a pair of great American collegiate and pro passers. Filchuck, ex-Washington and New York Giant star, invaded Canada in 1947, after being barred by Bert Bell, National Football League commissioner. Jacobs, a full-blooded Indian and former Washington and Green Bay qb star, jumped the Packers and joined the Winnipeg Bombers in 1950.

Canadian teams had been importing players for 20 years, but the impacts of the arrivals of Filchuck and Jacobs really opened the floodgates.

Under the revised player eligibility code this year, each Canadian team is permitted to carry ten American "imports," until Oct. 1. After that date, no team is permitted more than eight imports. Three additional American players, who have played four, or more, seasons in Canada, also are eligible. They are classified as "naturalized" players.

But, at no time, can any team play more than eight imports in one game, not including, of course, the "naturalized" lads, who are not classed as imports.

The system of qualification for the Grey Cup championship playoff is patterned after that employed for the Stanley Cup title hockey series.

Teams play a regular 16-game schedule to determine the champions of their respective conferences. Then, the top three engage in an elimination playoff series, with the ultimate winner in each division qualifying for the Grey Cup final.

Thus, it is not uncommon for

second and third place finishers in regular league play to win the playoff in their division and the Grey Cup, too. Last year, Winnipeg was a third place finisher, but qualified as the Western Cup finalist.

In contrast, America's National Football League division winners meet in the championship playoff. It's as simple as that.

The complicated system of establishing team eligibility for the Grey Cup final makes it merry for the cash-clients, but extremely scary for prophets, even though it does produce heavy additional revenue.

My Canadian spies predict that Winnipeg and Montreal will be eligible to slug it out in the Grey Cup final this year, after the last playoff result has been recorded. Actually, the only sane prediction this season is that one of nine teams will win the Grey pitcher.

Playoff games in both conferences have decided Cup participants for the past two seasons. The point system, used in hockey, and not the percentage method employed in the U. S., determine the standings. Teams are credited with two points for a win and one for a tie.

For example, Hamilton and Montreal finished in a tie at the end of the regular Eastern Division season last year, with eight wins and six losses each—16 points.

Ottawa was third, with 14 points, and Toronto last, with 10.

Edmonton finished first in the Western Conference regular league play. The Eskimos won 12 and lost four to compile 24 points. Regina was second, winning eight, losing seven and tying one—17 points. Winnipeg was third, on an eight won eight lost record, 16 points, and Calgary last with three wins, one tie, 12 losses, seven points.

But, Winnipeg qualified for the Grey Cup final by eliminating both Regina and Edmonton in post-season playoffs. Winnipeg then defeated Balmy Beach of the semi-pro Ontario Rugby Football Union, 24 to 4, in the Canadian pro sudden-death semi-final. Victory in this game for the Western Conference is considered automatic these days.

Larry Isbell, ex-Baylor All-



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America quarterback; Eddie Le Baron, College of Pacific quarterback star; Arnie Weinmeister, veteran N. Y. Giant tackle star; Rocky Ryan, Illinois end; Larry Griggs, Oklahoma halfback; J. D. Roberts, Oklahoma guard; Kosse Johnson, Rice back; Evan Slonac, Michigan St. back, and Eddie Macon, Bear back, are among the top-rated American players, who jumped to Canada this year.

Also Lou Tepe, Pitt center; Travis Tidwell, former N. Y. Giant and Auburn qb star, and Jackie Parker, Mississippi qb.

Early in June, Al Varner, Florida A&M tackle and Bill Brashier, North Texas Teachers College halfback, signed with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

Le Baron and Macon "jumped" the Redskins and Bears, respectively. They are with Calgary. So is Slonac, a Green Bay draft choice.

Griggs, Baltimore's second draft pick, is with Montreal; Ryan, Philadelphia's No. 2 draft choice, has joined the champion Hamilton Tiger-Cats and so had Tidwell. Johnson and Tepe are with Toronto. Parker and Roberts are Edmonton property.

Other lesser known American players, who have leaped across the border this year are: Lindy Berry, TCU, to Vancouver; Ed Barker, ex-Steeler, and Jerry Coody, Baylor, to Calgary; Gilmer Spring, Texas, to Edmonton.

Also, Jack Carroll, Holy Cross; John Carson, Georgia; Hal Patterson, Kansas, and Bill Gregus (Wake Forest), returnee from service duty in the U. S., to Montreal.

Last year, Canadian teams raided five NFL No. 1 draft choices. They were Billy Vessels, Oklahoma All-America back, and Bernie Flowers, Purdue end, from Baltimore; Tom Stohlanske, Texas end, from San Francisco; Don Moomaw, UCLA's All-America center, from Philadelphia, and Bobby Marlow, Alabama back, from New York.

Vessels and Flowers are in U. S. service. Moomaw retired to become a church minister. Thus, Stohlanske, with Edmonton, and Marlow, with Regina, are the only two of the quintet playing.

In addition, there is a long line of former American college and NFL stars, who have been performing in Canada for several seasons.

Jacobs, Dick Huffman, Los Angeles tackle; Neil Armstrong and Bud Grant, Philadelphia ends, are with Winnipeg; Don Campora, 49er tackle; Tony Momsen, Pitt center, and Johnny Bright, ex-Drake All-America back, play with Calgary.

Leo Manley, ex-Oklahoma and Green Bay tackle, Ed Crowder, ex-Oklahoma back, and Claude Arnold, former Oklahoma qb star, play with Edmonton.

Mac Speedie, ex-Cleveland end star; Marlow; Glenn Dobbs, former Los Angeles Dons qb; Frank Tripucka, ex-Cardinal and Baltimore qb; Martin Ruby, former N. Y. tackle star, John Wozniak, ex-N. Y. Yank guard, and Mario De Marco, ex-Detroit guard, are Regina chattels.

Chuck Hunsinger, Bear back; Tex Coulter, Giant tackle; Red O'Quinn, Bear end; Ray Pool, Giant end and Ed Bradley, Bear guard, belong to Montreal. Don Ettinger, Giant guard; Jack Carpenter, 49er tackle, and Bill Bass, Chicago Rockets back, are with Toronto.

Gene (Choo-Choo) Roberts, Giant back; Kaye Vaughn, Baltimore guard; Avatus Stone, Syracuse and Cardinal back, and Tom O'Malley, ex-Cincinnati and Packer qb, perform for Ottawa.

Merle Hapes, Giants back; Lou Kusserow, N. Y. Yanks back; Royal Bailey, William & Mary, and Bernie Custis, Syracuse, are members of the champion Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

John Henry Johnson, Frankie Albert and Jim Cason, 49er backs; Cleveland's George Ratterman, qb, and John Kissell, tackle, and Bill Blackburn and Bob Shaw, Cardinal center and tackle, respectively, are among American top-rated stars, who strayed across the border previously. Albert, Blackburn and Shaw have retired, but Johnson, Cason and Kissell have returned to their respective NFL clubs.

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tough tackles. This variety of player does not seem to be a Canadian product as there is practically no high school football and native players are unable to get instruction and game experience until they reach college age.

But, in spite of it, native half-backs, guards and centers are generally adequate for pro play. Two of the best backs in the league, Normie Kwong, the China Clipper, who performs for Edmonton, and Pete Thodus of Calgary are natives. In fact, Canadian coaches claim they could "make" any NFL team.

The average Canadian club's tightly drawn budget is between \$250,000 and \$275,000 a season. Salary budgets run from \$100,000 to \$150,000.

Stadium capacities average about 16,000, with Toronto's Varsity Stadium, scene of the Grey Cup final annually, boasting the top capacity—27,000. Vancouver is building a new 35,000 capacity stadium.

Because of the small stadium capacities, pessimists have forecast bankruptcy for teams hit by rain, or snowfall, on playing dates. Games are played on Saturdays and Mondays.

There is solid reason, however, why that can't happen—heavy advance season ticket sales. Most clubs sell out their capacity before the season begins. This means that come rain, snow, or flood, cash receipts are already inscribed in the books.

In sharp contrasts to the small capacity stadiums, Canadian football is played on a king-sized field. The playing field is 110 yards long, 10 yards longer than American regulation. Another striking difference is the 25-yard deep end zones, compared to 10 in the United States. The width of the field in Canada is a fat 65 yards in contrast to 53 yards 1 foot in the U. S. Overall Canadian dimensions add up to a whopping 10,400 square yards in contrast to the U. S. gridiron's 6,400 square yards.

Because of the vast playing fields required by the Canadian game, it will never become a popular eye-witness presentation in America. Consider the cost of re-vamping U. S. stadiums so that the

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160 yard length of the field requirement could be conformed with and you get the idea. Whether it will become a popular TV presentation also is problematic. The vast playing area may present perplexing coverage problems for cameramen.

Now for the principal differences in rules:

1. Touchdowns count only five points in Canada. Point-after-touchdowns, one point, field goals, three points and safeties, called safety-touches in the Dominion, two points, are the same.

2. There is no such thing as a touchback in Canadian ball, which puts spice in the scoring. The receiving team must run the ball out of the end zone on punts, kickoffs, or missed field goals. If the receiving team fails to do so, a point, called a rouge, is scored against it. Thus defending teams cannot jam up for goal line stands because they must cover the 25 yard end zone against passes and field goal tries.

3. Canadian teams are 12-men units in contrast to the familiar 11-man in America. The 12th man is called the flying wing and is usually sent wide as a flanker.

4. Canadian rules specify three downs to make the required 10 yards, instead of four as in America. This is designed to encourage passing.

5. There is no down-field blocking, except on kickoffs. Backs are restrained from blocking beyond one yard past the line of scrimmage. Linemen are permitted to block only 10 yards beyond the scrimmage line.

6. There is no fair-catch in Canada, but punt receivers are given a five-yard restrained zone, until they make contact with the ball.

7. Any player can advance a free ball in Canada. Only members of the fumbling team can advance the ball in America.

8. All five backs are permitted to be in lateral motion before the ball is snapped, instead of, one as the American code prescribes.

9. T formation qb's are eligible pass receivers in the Canadian game. T formation qb's are ineligible receivers in America.

The Canadian Rugby Union is the governing body of Dominion foot-



ball. The standard Canadian contract carries a clause that most NFL players would like to see in theirs. It specifies that a player cannot be traded without his consent. All Canadian teams are community-owned, except Montreal, which is the property of three Montreal stock brokers.

Attendance figures are fantastic in the Western Conference where population is limited. Regina is the Green Bay of Canada. With a population of only 70,000, it attracts patronage from the vast area of the province of Saskatchewan.

Some idea of just how rabid Canadian fans are is reflected in

the following items. Calgary staged a \$100 a plate dinner limited to 300 fans, most of them members of Booster and Quarterback clubs, and tossed \$30,000 into the football fund.

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Most Canadian club sponsors would like to see better player agreement relations between them and the NFL. This would eliminate wild bidding for American stars, but Canadians will never agree to a pact that they do not think is equitable.

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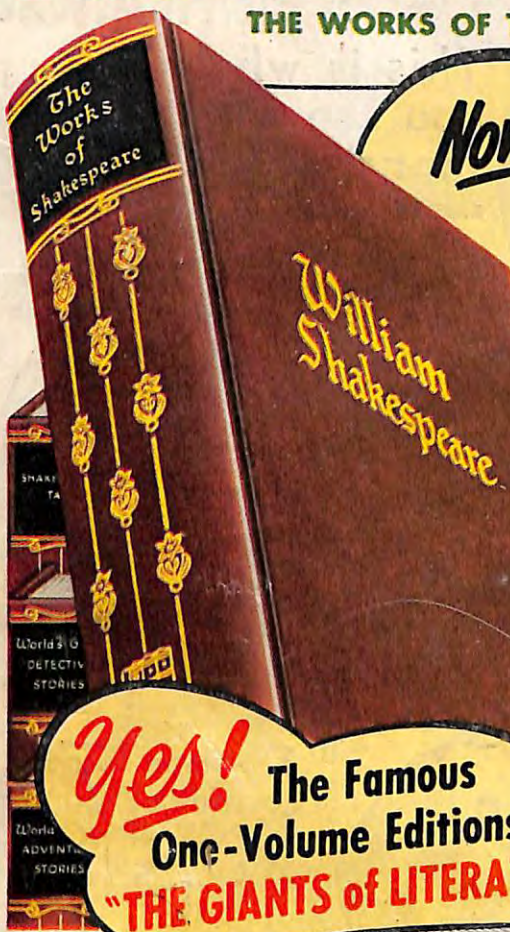
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